

HONGKONG, WBUNESDAY, MARCH 7th, 1888. PRICE \$21 PER MONTH 號七月三英港香 三拜禮 日五十二月正年四十結光 **姚一十百四千九第** No. 9411 NEW ADVERTISEMENTS INITMATIONS. NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES. BANKS. AUCTION. INSTMATIONS. SHIPPING PUBLIC ANOTION STEAMSHIP "NATAL." CANTON DISTRICT. THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHII **▼**▼ONGKONG&SHANGHAIBANKING STANDARD LIFE OFFICE. COMPANY, LIMITED. CORPORATION. ARRIVALS. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS ITALIAN WORKS OF ARTIN MARBLE ACCUMULATED FUNDS£ 6,696,425 MINHE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL March 5, FREJR, Danish steamer, 397. C. A. MARITIMES. No 33. ALABASTER, &c. Lund, Haiphong 2nd March, and Hoihow ANNUAL INCOME 2 900,000 MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS JUNK SUNK OFF LANKEET ISLAND NOTICE. will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on RESERVELIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7,500,000 Central, on FRIDAY, 23rd March, at THREE OTICE is hereby given that a junk lies CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London E: O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, for the purpose SATURDAY. COURT OF DIRECTORS:sunk in 41 fathoms to the East of Laukoet of receiving the Report of the General Mana. Petersen, Nagasaki 1st March, Coals.— 🜙 S. S. "YOROUBA" & "TAMISE," THE STANDARD has been established for the 10th of March, 1888; at 2 P.M., at his Hop. JOHN BELL-TRVING-Chairman. Island, distant about 4 miles. 62 years, and its Invested Funds are the Havre Er S. S. "TAMISE," and from gers, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Con-TARABIMA COLLIERY. Sales Rooms, Duddell Street. W. H. FORBES, Esc.—Deputy Chairman. South Point of Lankeet Island bears W. 🛓 N Bordeaux Ex S. S. "EYRIAND DES VERsulting Committee and Auditors. March 6, TELEMACHUS, British steamer, 1,421, largest of any Life Office in the United King WITHOUT RESERVE. J. D. Bottomley, Esq. Hon. A. P. McEwen. V. G. Brodie, Esq. S. C. Michaelsen, Esq. H. Jones, London and Singapore 29th Fe- dom with the exception of one office established GUES." in connection with above Steamer, The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company A GRAND COLLECTION of ITALIAN W. G. Brodie, Esq. bereby informed that their Goods will be CLOSED from 9th to 23rd inst, both J. S. Moses, Esq. L. Dalrymple, Esq. SCULPTURES in MARBLE, ALABASTER bruary, General - Butterfield & Swike. Full particulars as to the Company's different H. Hoppius, Esq. with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Possuccker, Esq. days inclusive. Mo., just arrived in this Colony & comprising :light exhibited at night until further actice. Valuables, are being landed and stored E. A. Solomon, Eaq. March 6, CHI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,211, R. Schemes of Assurances may be obtained on RUSSELL-& Co., ROMAN & FLORENTINE VASES, TAZ-The above bearings are magnetic. CHIEF MANAGEB. their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence .. General Managers. Null, Penung 28rd February, and Singa- application to the ZAS, FRUIT-STANDS, STATUETTES, J. H. MAY, Hongkorg-Thomas Jackson, Esq. delivery may be obtained immediately after land-'BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED Hongkong, 7th March, 1888. GROUPS of FIGURES and ANIMALS. - pore 27th, General.-C. M. S. N. Co. Harbour Master. MANAGER. Agents Hongkong. CANDELABRAS, CANDLESTICKS, MARRIED WOMAN going to England Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Approved: March 6, Sarthe, French steamer, 470, Por-FRUITS, MOSAIC TABLES, and a great would be glad to Aot as LADY's MAID, FRANCIS W. WHITE, LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY BANK teau, Iloilo 1st March, General.—A. R. intimation is received from the Consignees variety of ORNAMENTS, etc. NURSE, or STEWARDESS in return for passage Commissioner. before 4 P.M., TO-DAY (THURSDAY), request-Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale Hongrong—Interest Allowed. Custom House, Address. ing it to be landed here. and the above will be on view on FRIDAY March 6, VITIAZ, Russian corvette, Makaroff On Current Deposit Account at the rate of Canton, 1st March, 1888. $\mathbf{Mrs}_{-}\mathbf{A}_{-}$ Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the per cent. per Annum on the daily balance. Manila 1st March. Daily Press Office. FOR SALE. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF TERMS OF SALE.—As Cristomary. G. R. LAMMERT, Undersigned. On Fixed Deposits:-Hongkong, 7th March, 1888. March 6, Mongkut, British steamer, 859, G. Goods remaining unclaimed after FRI HONGKONG. For -3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum. DAY, the 9th instant, at Noon, will be Anderson, Bangkok 29th February, Rice.— NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. Auctioner. For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum. IN BANKRUPTCY. subject to rent and landing charges at One Cent YUEN FAT HONO. Hongkong, 5th March, 1888. For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum. SMITH'S GLASGOW 3. S. "DEEPDALE." per package per diem. IN THE MATTER OF MA SHUM of the FROM NEWCASTLE, MIDDLESBRO March 6, DIOMED, British steamer, 1,472, W LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before KWONG CHEUNG SHOP, Victoria, CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY. B. Bigley, Shanghai and Amoy 5th March, TOBACCOS: AND HAMBURG the 10th inst. (Saturday), or they will not be every description of Banking and Exchange LIMITED Hongkong, a Bankrapt. General.—Butterfield & Swife. A SHUM, lately carrying on Business in Consigness of Cargo are hereby rerecognized. business transacted. No Fire Insurance has been effected. March 6, DECCAN, British steamer, 2,022, P. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS DRAFTS granted on London and the chief Co-partnership with other Persons under to the Undersigned for countersignature and to G. DE CHAMPEAUX W. Case, Bombay 17th February, and Sincommercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, the Style of KWONG CHEUNG SHOP, at take immediate delivery of their Goods from SMITH'S CUT NAVY. TIME ORDINARY HALF YEARDY gapore 29th, Mails and General.—P. & O. Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS 210, Queen's Road West, Victoria, Hongkong, S. N. Co. will be held at the Company's Hotel, TOhaving been adjudicated Bankrupt under a Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer Chief Manager. DAY (WEDNESDAY), 7th March, 1858. CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP Petition for Adjudication, filed in the Supreme SMITH'S FLAKED GOLD LEAF. Hongkong, 25th January, 1888. will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' at HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK IN THE LINE. Court of Hongkong in Bankruptey, on the ULEARANCES. risk and expense and no Fire Insurance will be AFTERNOON for the purpose of receiving the Accounts and Report of the Directors and lat day of February, 1888, is hereby required NOTICE. AT THE HARFOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. to surrender himself to EDWARD JAMES RULES OF THE HONGKONG SMITH'S GLASGOW MIXTURE. 6TH MABCH ACKROYD, Esquire, Registrar of the said Court. declaring a Dividend. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company 8. S. "PARTHIA." at the FIRST MEETING of CREDITORS Haitan, British str., for Swatow. will not be recognized. FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, will be CLOSED from 22nd February to 7th to be held by the said Registrar on MONDAY. Deepdale, British str., for Shanghai. ADAMSON, BELL & Co., AND KOBE. 1.—The business of the above Bank will be March, 1888. the Nineteenth day of March, 1888, at ELEVEN SMITH'S GOLDEN BIRDSEYE. Lombardy, British str., for Saigon. R. LYALL, conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai o'clock in the Forencon. Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. THE above steamer having arrived. Con Diamonte, British str., for Amoy. Banking Corporation, on their premises in Secretary. The said EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esq., signées of cargo are hereby requested to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 Triumph. German str., for Hoihow. Hongkong, 7th March, 1888. is the Official Assignee in the said Bankruptcy. TOCONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO send in their Bills of Lading for countersigna-A Public Sitting will hereafter be appointed EX-O.S.S. CO.'S S.S. "TELEMACHUS." to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON ture and take immediate delivery of their Goods Hongkong, 15th February, 1888. 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 a by the said Court for the said Bankrupt to pass FROM LIVERPOOL DEPARTURES. from alongside. WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY. one time will not be received. No depositor FELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, his final examination, and to make application CHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the March 6, COCKCHAFER, Britishg bt., for Canton Cargo impeding the discharge of the vesse LIMITED. may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year. for his discharge, of which sitting notice will will be landed and stored at Consigness' risk March 6, MERFOO, Chinese str., for Shanghai. 3.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having NEW BOOKS AND NEW EDITIONS. THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL be given in the Hongkong Government Gazette. and expense. \$100 or more at their credit may at their option or shipment per steamer "STENTOR." March 6, Anchises, British str., for Amoy. Dixon's Dictionary of Idiomatic English At the First Meeting of Creditors the Regis-MEETING OF THE SHAREHODERS ADAMSON, BELL & Co., BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shangtrar will receive the proofs of the Debts of the Phrases. March 6, Fushiki Maru, Japanese str., for will be held in the Offices of the Company, Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. hai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for Techno-Chemical Receipt Book. Pedder's Street, TO-MORROW, the 8th day Creditors, who shall have proved their Debts Nagasaki. Hongkong, 2nd March, 1888. Marine Engineer's Almanack, 1888. 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. of March next, at Noon, to receive the Report respectively and the majority in value of the OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. March 6, DIAMANTE, British str., for Manila, 4.—Interest at the rate of 3; per cent. per said Creditors are hereby directed to choose at A-Tale of Three Lions, by Rider Haggard. of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts THE "BEN," LINE OF STEAMERS. March 6, FERO, German str., for Saigon. annum will be allowed to Depositors on their Lady Grace by Mrs. Henry Wood. such Meeting an Assignee or Assignees of the to 31st December, 1887: Bankrapt's Estate and Effects to be called the The Bride of the Nile by George Ebers. daily balances. March 6, Soochow, British str., for Hollow. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company "TELEMACHUS. 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis Burton's Practical Guide to Photographic Creditors' Assignee or Assignees. March 6, HEVER, German str., for Tientsin. will be CLOSED from the 23rd instant to 8th FROM LEITH, LONDON AND with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with and Photo Mechanical Printing Processes. Dated this 2nd day of March, 1888. Prox., both days inclusive. March 6, HAITAN, British str., for Coast Ports. The Portfolio Volume 1887. each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must SINGAPORE. . WOTTON & DEACON. By Order of the Board, not make any entries themselves in their Pass-THE Steamship Almanack de Gotha, 1888. Solicitors in the matter of the said ISAAC HUGHES. Books, but should send them to be written up PASSENGERS. Hof-Kalendar, 1888. Bankruptcy. Beard and Rockwell's Medical and Surgical at least twice a year, about the beginning of and after the 7th inst. -Hongkong, 20th February, 1888. MARINBURK, January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY COM-Uses of Electricity. Captain Freeman, having arrived from the above Goods undelivered after the 14th instant, Por Chi-yuca, str., from Penang, &c.-840 MANUFACTURER OF The Dragon, Image and Demon, or the Three Ports Consignous of Cargo are hereby requested will be subject to Rent. FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY. Religious of China-Confucianism, Bud-Bank if marked On Hongkong Savings Bank PANY, LIMITED. to send in their Bills of Lading for countersig-BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Per Freir, str., from Haiphong. &c.-Messrs. nature by the Undersigned and to take im. Begs to inform the Public that he has Removed hism, and Tacism, by Rev. H. C. Du Bose. Business is forwarded free by the various Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. L. Pilla, F. Geobie, A. Teorix, and 49 Chinese. THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GE-Haydn's Dictionary of Dates. British Post Offices in Hongkong and China. mediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. COLLEGE CHAMBERS, Per Telemachus, str., from London, &c.-I NERAL MEETING of the SHARE-New Japanese Illustrated Story Books. 7.-Withdrawals may be made on demand STEAM TO SHANGHAL. The steamer is berthed at the Kowloon Piers. Messrs. Carr and Nylio for Shanghai, and 335 but the personal attendance of the Depositor or HOLDERS of the Company will be held on La Terre par Emile Zola. next to Daily Press, THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship and any Cargo impeding her discharge will there Chinese. his duly appointed Agent, and the production of FRIDAY, the 9th instant, at 3-P.M. at the his Pass-Book are necessary. be landed into Gedowns and stored at Consignoes Pecheur D'Irlande par Pierre Loti. And has lately received Office of the Company.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Per Mongkut, str., from Bangkok.-Mr. Roch-FINE SELECTION OF SILK PLUSHES " DECCAN." L'Ami MacDonald par Max O'Rell. risk and expense. ing. Mr. and Mrs. Tan Ah Hoot, and 75 Chinese. Le Service de la Sureté par G. Mace. For the Hongrong and Shanghai Bank-IN VARIOUS COLOURS will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless Per Diomed, str., from Shanghai, &c. 771 Affaire Clémenceau par Alex. Dumas fils. General Managers. ALSO LATEST DESIGNS IN TAPESTRIES. ING CORPOBATION, notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., the 8th instant, at DAYLIGHT. Le Pompon Vert par Gustave Toudouze. Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. T. JACKSON. E. L. WOODIN. TO DAY, the 3rd instant. HE IS ABLE TO EXECUTE ORDERS AT MORE -Per Decean, str. for Hongkong.—From Les Séducteurs par "Gyp." Chief Manager. NOTICE No Claims will be admitted after the Goods RRASONABLE PRICESTHAN PREVIOUSLY. London.—Staff-Comd. Moore. Misses L. Allen Pierre et Jean par Guy de Manpassant. Hongkong, 1st September, 1887. Hongkong, 7th March, 1888. have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining FURNITURE REUPHOLSTERED IN and M. Allen, and Mr. Harkin. From Bombay HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF Au Pays du Rire par Armand Silvestre. after the 10th instant, will be subject to rent. ORIENTAL BANK NEW -Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Chaster, Mrs. Sprogle FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP. OCEAN' STEAMSHIP COMPANY. Trente Ans de Paris par Alphouse Daudet. COMMERCE. All Claims must reach us before 4 P.M., of CORPORATION, LIMITED. and amak, Messrs. G. Dey, M. Jakin, A. Dawood Hongkong, 10th February, 1888. the 13th instant, or they will not be recognized. Histoires Inconvenantes par Armand-Silvestre. FOR SHANGHAL VIA AMOY. M. Rabim, H. Khakee, and A. Allamoka. From Madamo Chrysanthème par Pierre Loti. KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000 representative of this Office will attend at the TUTLER PALMER Co. (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates Colombo.-Messrs. Nostle, Gillie, Leigh, Mow-OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HONG. bray, and McGowan. From Singapore.—Mr. 267 Godowns at 11 A.M. on the 15th instant to ESTABLISHED IN 1815, KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMexamine damaged packages. and Mrs. Boninger, Messrs. A. Sankey, J. A. HANKOW, and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) Registered Office, 40, THEEADNEEDLE STREET, MERCE will be held on FRIDAY, the 9th OF LONDON, BORDEAUX, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, No Fire Insurance will be effected. Gragson, C. Y. Seng, and 70 Chinese. For TAT BREWER HAS JUST RECEIVED THE Company's Steamship march, at 3.30 P.M., at the Rooms of th MADRAS, LAHORE, KURRACHEE, &c. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by Shanghai.-From London.-Mrs. Scholefield. Chamber, City Hall, for the purpose of re-Are represented in China by GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co., "TELEMACHUS." ceiving the Report of the Committee and governess and 2 children, Mrs. and Miss Smalley, BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN Letters from Hell. Captain Jones, will be despatched as above TO-Agents. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and child; Mr. and Mrs. Pigot, Synopsis of Chess Openings by Cook. AND THE COLONIES. passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year Hongkong, 3rd March, 1888. STEMSSEN & Co..... MORROW, the 8th inst., at DAYLIGHT. ending Slat December, 1887. child and nurse, Misses Guiness, Reed, Saunder-Lowndes' Law of General Average. THE BANK receives money on Deposit Lane, Crawford & Co. & by* son, Webb, and A. Deacon, Messrs. A. Deacon, Renan's Saint Paul, cheap Ed. 80 cents. For Freight or Passage, apply to NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. Buys and Salls Bills of Exchange, issues B. E. REYNELL & Co. in Japan BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. After the Annual Meeting of the Chamber, Calvert, J. Calvert, and J. Wright. For Yoko-Photographer's Indispensible Handbook, 31. Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for Collection, the Bill now before the Legislative Council S. S. "PATHAN," Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. hama.—From London.—Mrs. McLeed, Misses Fresenius Qualatative Analysis. Subjoined are some of the items consigned by relating to the Registration of Imports and FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, LON and Transacis Banking and Agency Business Carlyle's French Revolution, 3 Vols. Cl. \$1.20 McKae, Bristowe, Parker, and Dunskley, Messrs. these well-known Shippers CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, generally on terms to be had on application. Exports of the Colony, will be discussed, and all C. C. Knight, Eustace, W. Short, and Ah Yon. DON. PENANG, AND SINGAPORE. Bold Retrenchment. LIMITED. From Naples.-Mrs. Kirkes, Miss Burnett, Members of the Mercantile Community interested CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed SPIRITS. Frizetta-Will keep the hair in Curl for 2 or 3 Interest allowed on Deposits: in this question are invited to attend, at U that all goods, with the exception of Opium, Lord de Clifford, Mesars. Kerr and Penn and man COGNAC-The popular "4 Star" quality and Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum. FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS SYDNEY are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns servant. From Suez.—Messis. O. W. Jones and A Fine Selection of Meerschaum Pipes, Cigar Fixed for 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum. best.—No better shipped. AND MELBOURNE. W. T. Jones.By Order. of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company and Cigarette Holders. Fixed for 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum. THE Company's Steamship COGNAC-The well-known "2 Star" quality. H. U. JEFFRIES. at Kowloon; whence and/or from the wharves Dressed Dolls in great variety. TO DEPART. On Current Deposit Accounts 2 per Cent. per Per Saghalien, str., from Hongkong.-For Secretary. SCOTCH WHISKY. delivery may be obtained. Byron and Shakespeare in Cases. Annum on the daily balance. "TAIYUAN," Saigon.—Messrs. Perrin and Gerbie. For Six-Hongkong-1st March 1883. Church Services and others, handsomely bound ---Optional-cargo will-be forwarded unless notice A. Vardin. Commander, will be despatched as The "CARLTON"—II years old. gapore.-H.E. Sir W. des Voeux and servant, APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL Devotional Books, Birthday Books, &c. to the contrary be given before Noon TOabove TO-MORROW, the 8th inst., at The "Heart Shaped Bottle." THINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the Lieut. J. D. Auderson, A.D.C., Messrs. A. M. Inkstands and Date Cases. FOUR P.M. LIMITED. da Silva and servant, A. R. Marty and servant, No Claims will be admitted after the Goods The "Square Bottle." Colour Boxes, Oil and Water. BALANCES of such Claims purchased on The attention of Passengers is directed to the Mon's Calf Walking Shoes, \$3 a pair. Chee Chanc Can and servant, Whang Fook, and have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining advantageous terms. Are C. P. & Co.'s selected Whiskies of perfect NOTICE. superior Accommodation offered by this On Cook Chan. For Suez.-Messrs. Meyrier, after the 9th instant, will be subject to rent." Portable Copying Presses. Agency of the NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE quality, each is well matured and free from Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabins are Dupont, and Dijoux. For Marseilles.—Colonel All Claims against the steamer must be pre-Cheap Note Papers and Envelopes. THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL sented to the undersigned on or before the 9th The "GLENLEVET" in round bottles is popular Fusel oil. situated forward of the Engines. Second Class Gros, Comdt. Rullmann, Capts. F. P. Bardinha MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in New Egyptian Cigarettes of fine quality. E. W. RUTTER Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refriand Garceau, Mr. and Mrs. Barbosa, sister, and the above Company will be held at the Office of | instant, or they will not be recognised. Manager, Hongkong Branch. Hongkong, 12th March, 1887. [11] New Birth lay Cards. gerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh and good. 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. V. Harnert, Mrs. Chov New Sougs and Dance Music. [11] the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on SA-No Fire Insurance has been effected. Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly Chane, Messrs. W. Kingston, Louis Pila, S. S. IRISH WHISKY. Masonic Clothing and Jewels. TURDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, for the Bills of Lading will be countersigned by qualified Surgeon is carried. Cummins, Cardoso, Dr. J. J. da Silva, Jaques, Fine Ebony Piano, by Shroer. purpose of receiving a Report from the General ADAMSON, BELL & Co., INTIMATIONS. Only one quality consigned, the best. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Jas. MoIntyre, and Morel. From Shanghai. - For WALTER W. BREWER. Agents with a Statement of Accounts to the PORT—"INVALIDS." Marseilles.—Mr. Grandguillaume, and Miss H. 27 UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. Hongkong, 3rd March, 1888 31st December, 1887. Pene. For Singapore.—Mr. Besse. From Yoko- TOMINION ORGAN & PIANO Co. Hongkong, 6th March, 18-8. Invalids in particular are recommended to select The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. hama.—For Saigon.—Mr. Reastan Louis. For this Wine, it is really an INVALID'S PORT. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION will be CLOSED from the 25th February unti Singapore.-Mr. Davis. From Kobe -- For Sai-GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION SHERRY. COMPANY, LIMITED. 10th March, both days inclusive. Manufacturers of Cabinet, Combination. CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., gon.-Mesers. Meillan Etienne, Bobbee Louis, For Connoisseurs the following have their own ·"ANĈHISES. FOR TIENTSIN VIA SWATOW. Chapel and Pedal THE following Notice is published for and Chalaye Jules. For Singapore.—Messrs. General Agents, are hereby notified that the Cargo is being disdistinctive merits— "ORGANS. ■ general information. THE Company's Steamship Yamano, Fukuda, and Suyenaga. Hongkong, 20th February, 1888. charged into Craft, and/or landed at the Go-By Command... The "INVALIDE" pale, delicate, fine flavor. and Square and Upright downs of the Undersigned; in both cases it will LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY FREDERICK STEWART, " PECHILI," Amonoso," a Stouter Wine, very popular. REPORTS. lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready PIANOS: antain Bradley, will be despatched as above Colonial Secretary. LIMITED. MANZANILLA," a clean dry appetising Wine. The British steamer Telemachus, from Liver-Sole right to use Foley's Automatic PEDAL | Colonial Secretary's Office, for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after "SHERRY—WHITE SEAL," a special favorite in on FRIDAY, the 9th inst., at Noon. ol and Singapore 29th February, reports had NOTICE. the 5th inst. COVER for the whole Continent of EUROPE Hongkong, 3rd March, 1888. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co, Goods undelivered after the 12th inst., will This device absolutely closes the Organ, render-CLARET. THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL be subject to Rent. NOTICE. General Managers. ing it proof against Mice, Insects, Dust, &c. MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in Perfectly pure Bordeaux, not loaded to please BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. A SPECIAL SESSION of Her Majesty's the above Company will be held at the Office of Hongkong, 4th March, 1888. vitiated palates. BRANCH OFFICES:-INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Justices of the Peace will be held in the the General Agents at Pedder's Street, on The German steamer Tetartos, from Nagasaki MOUTONin quarts and pints. MANCHESTER, ENGLAND. Justices' Room at the Magistracy, at ELEVEN SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 12.80 P.M., NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. COMPANY, LIMITED.

light winds and fine weather up to lat. 17 N. from thence to port fresh monsoon and N.E.

1st March, reports had strong gales from S.S.W. on the 1st and 2nd March; afterwards fine weather on the 3rd; thence strong N.E. and N.N.E. winds with heavy sea to port.

The British steamer Mongkut, from Bangkok 29th February, reports had light southerly winds to Pulo Obi; from Pulo Obi to 17 N. had mode. rate easterly winds; from thence to port strong monsoon and gloomy weather.

The Chinese steamer Chi-yuen, from Penang 23rd February, and Singapore 27th, reports had light variable winds, fine weather, and smooth Bea up till March 4th; afterwards had strong A Has just added to his COLLECTION E.N.E. winds with high sea up till arrival.

INTIMATIONS. NOTICE.

Undersigned are requested to send them Onal. in before the 10th Proximo. H. G. THOMSETT. NOTICE,

NOTICE is hereby given that the SCRIP of 20 SHARES in the CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, Numbered 1791 to 1810 and registered in the Books of the Company in the name of the late CLAUDE CHAMBERLAIN, Deceased, is MISSING. Scrip be produced and proof of Ownership lodged MISSION AGENT under the Name and Parliamentary sanction on all Chinese seriving turns not rendered prior to the 31st day of with the undersigned by the 9th March, 1888. Style of NEW SCRIP will be issued for the said Shares to the ADMINISTRATOR of the said CLAUDE CHAMBERLAIN'S Estate. Dated Hongkong, 9th February, 1888. RUSSELL & Co.

General Managera.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA, Sole Agents for THE MILKE COAL MINE.

UNKER COALS can be supplied to any steamer lying in the Harbour or coming alongside the Kowleen Wharf on application to MR. CHR. NÖNCHEN has been the Undersigned.

Y. FUKUHARA, Acting Manager. LONDON, HAMBURG, GERMANY ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA Sydney,

MELBOURNE, CHRIST-CHURCH, NEW ZEALAND.

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NOTICE.

A. A. DA ROZA. Foochow, 1st March, 1888. NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY admitted to PARTNER-. SHIP MR. G. D. SCOTT. The FIRM will henceforth be known as Lightwood & Scott," Share and General Brokers. Hy. H. LIGHTWOOD.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. NOTICE.

Procuration. PUSTAU & Co. Canton 14th February, 1888.

O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON, on TUESDAY the 13th instant, for the purpose of considering an application for the transfer of the licence of the Rose, Shamrock and Thistle Hotel from SAMUEL LIBERMANN to CARL BERIOVITZ. .H.E. WODEHOUSE,

Police Magistrate. For the Police Magistrates. Magistracy Hongkong, 1st March, 1888:

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following telegram from the South AUSTRALIAN-GOVERNMENT is published for general information. By Command.

FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 1st March, 1888.

let March, 1888. South Australian Government have declared all Ports in China or Chinese Depen- ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE denotes infected. Quarantine on vessels for Twenty-one Days after arrival will be required at Darwin except as regards persons not being ONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are this Port as MERCHANT AND COM- pounds per head will be imposed subject to Distribution of Bonus may be arranged. Re-

> 450 and Chinese Authorities. PARSONS. FIRE CHINA & JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED,

> > 13, PEATA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

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after March first. Please advise British Consuls and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted. General Agents.

> LIMITED. COTTON YARN at the Kowloon Wharves will have FREE STORAGE for 14 days from arrival, READY. after which a Rent of 3 cents per Bale per

month will be Charged. Secretary. Hongkong, 8th November, 1887

for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1887. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 25th February until the 10th March, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 20th February, 1888. THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFAC.

TURING COMPANY, LIMITED. THE FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS been effected. will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, 18th March, at THREE o'clock in the Afternoon for the purpose of

receiving the Report of the General Managers and electing a Consulting Committee and RUSSELL & Co.. General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE. LIMITED.

requested to furnish the Undersigned duction in prices. Intending Buyers can make required. Chinese arriving by vessels having no disease requested to furnish the Undersigned duction in prices. Intending Buyers can on board, who will be granted immediate with a List of their Contributions for the year very advantageous terms for Cash down. HAVE THIS DAY Established myself at pratique if not from Hongkong. Politax ten ending 31st December, 1887, in order that the Amoy, February, 1888. in Northern Territory, who have left therefor March instant, will be adjusted by the Office. UYENO, JAPANESE PHOTOGRAPHER well known in Nagasaki, will Open a STUDIO, on THURSDAY, the 1st December, JARDINE. MATHESON & Co.,

> CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD. Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, DISCHARGING BOMBAY COTTON, and TTHE MAIL TABLES with Parcel Post Table and Almanac, for 1888 are NOW

> > ISAAC HUGHES,

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND

SINGAPORE.

"HUNTINGDON."

having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees

of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods

are being landed at their risk into the Hong-

kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-

pany's West Point Godowns, whence delivery

Cargo remaining undelivered after 11th inst.

will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has

Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by

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TESSES. C. GERARD & Co, of Amoy.

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Hongkong, 25th No imber, 1887.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1888.

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CLOSING OF BUSINESS, they are offering the Honourable the RESIDENT OF SARAWAK,

KUCHIN, SARAWAK.

be entertained after the 9th instant.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1888.

THE Steamship

Bénédictine from the Monastervi C. P. & Co. are the Sole Consignors of this THE Company's Steamship world wide known Liqueur. For Prices apply to either of the above Firms marked • GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

TENDERS will be received up to 9 A.M., on ■ MONDAY, 16th April, 1888, for RENT-ING the following FARMS for THREE Consignees are hereby informed, that all | YEARS, from 1st July, 1888, viz :-The OPIUM FARM of the Territory of Claims must be made immediately. as none will Sarawak, from Tanjong Datu to and inclusive of the Baram River, a distance

of 370 miles. The GAMBLING FARM, from Tanjong Datu to and inclusive of the Sadong The ARRACK FARM, from Tanjong Datu to and inclusive of the Sadong River. 2nd—Tenders must be written in English Wh. beg to intimate that owing to the and forwarded in Sealed Covers addressed to the

3rd-Trnders for each Farm separately, and PROVISIONS, &c., &c., at a considerable re- a Tender for the Three Farms Collectively, are 4th-The Government does not bind itself to above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th inst., 334 accept the highest or any Tender. 5th—The successful Tenderer or Tenderers will be required to find Security for the due fulfilment of his or their Contracts. 6th—For further information apply to A. L. JOHNSTON & Co., Agents in Sings-

pore for the Sarawak Government, or to the

RESIDENT OFFICE, Kuching, Sarawak, F. O. MAXWELL, Administering the Government. Resident's Office. Kuching, Sarawak, 1st January, 1888. TIMBER

TATHE Undersigned, Agents for Messrs E. E. ABRAHAMSON & Co., Sandakan, British North Borneo, are now prepared to submit for inspection Samples of hard and soft TIMBERS suitable for Wharves, Building and General purposes. GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong 2nd November, 1886.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned immediately or they

Undersigned not later than the 12th inst.

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"FOOKSANG," Captain Hogg, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 9th inst., at NOON. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. FOR SHANGHAL

FIHE Steamship

" AMOY." Captain Kohler, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 9th instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hougkong, 7th March, 1888. FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK. THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM.

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. THE Company's Steamer " DEVAWONGSE," Captain P. H. Loff, will be despatched for the at EIGHT A.M.

YUEN FAT HONG, Hongkong, 7th March, 1883. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG. HE 8/3 L I.I. German Bark .

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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BOARD AND RESIDENCE. RABE STAINFIELD, 55, Queen's Road LA East, has PRIVATE BOARD and RE-SIDENCE for Single Men or Married Couples, at reasonable rates. Hongkong, 14th October, 1887.

NOW READY. THRONICLE AND DIRECTORY For 1888. With which is incorporated THE CHINA DIRECTORY. (TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ISSUE), Complete, with Appendix, Plans, &c., &c., Royal 8vo., pp. 1,200.....\$5.00. SMALLER EDITION, Ryl. 8vo., pp. 816 \$3:00. THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY has been thoroughly revised and brought up to date, and is again much increased in bulk. at contains Descriptive and Statistical Accounts of and Directories for Kobe (Hyoge). Do. Ladios' Directory Osaka. Do. Peak Directory Do. Military Forces. Yokohama. Niigata. LAGAO. Hakodate CHINA-Pakhoi. VLADIVOSTOCK. THE PHILIPPINES-Hoihow. Manila. Whampoa. Cebu. Canton. Iloilo. Swatow. BORNEO-Sarawak. Takao. Labuan. Taiwanfoo. British North Borneo. Tamsui. COCHIN CHINA-Kelung. Saigon. Foochow. Cholon. Wènchow. Cambodia. Ningpo. Annam-Shanghai Hue. Chinking. Tourage. Wuhu. Quinhon. Kinkiang. Hankow. Tonquin-Haiphong. Ichang. Chungking. Hanoi. Namdinh. Chefoo. Haidnong, &c. Tientsin. Bangkok. Peking. Straits Settlements, Port Arthur Singapore. Newchwang. Репапр. MALAY STATES-Jenchua**n** Fusan. Sungei Ujong. Yuensan. Nagasaki. NAVAL SQUADRONS- ${f French}.$ United States. . . German. Chinese Northorn Shirpfing -Officers of the Coasting Steamers o H. C. &. M. S. B. Co. Indo-China S. N. Co. Scottish Oriental S. S. Co Miscellaneous Coast Douglas S. S. Co. China Mer. S. N. Co. Steamers. The LIST OF RESIDENTS now contains the names of FOURTHEN THOUSAND AND FIVE HUNDRED **Foreigners** arranged under one Alphabet in the strictest order, the initials as well as the surname re-angraved in a superior style and brought up to date. They now consist of FLAGS OF MERCANTILE HOUSES IN CHINA. Code of Signals in use at Victoria Peak. MAP OF THE FAR EAST. MAP OF THE ISLAND OF HONGKONG PLAN OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. PLAN OF MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, VICTORIA. PLAN OF FOREIGN CONCESSIONS, SHANGHAL. Plan of Yokohama. PLAN OF MANILA. PLAN OF SAIGON. PLAN OF TOWN AND ENVIRONS OF SINGAPORE PLAN OF GEORGE TOWN. PENANG. Among the other contents of the book are-An Angle-Chinese Calendar, Mean of Barome ter and Thermometer, Rainfall, &c. the advent of foreigners to China and Japan. A description of Chinese Festivals, Fasts, &c. with the days on which they fall. Comparative Tables of Money, Weights, &c. Scale of Hongkong Stamp Duties. The Hongkong Postal Guide for 11888. Scales of Commissions and Charges adopted by the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong, Shanghai, Amoy and Newchwang. The APPENDIX consists of FOUR HUNDRED PAGES of closely printed matter, to which reference is constantly required by residents and those having commercial or political relations with the Countries embraced within the scope of the CHRONICLE and DIRECTORY.

The Contents of the Appendix are too numerous to recapitulate in an Advertisement, but TREATIES WITH CHINA-Great Britain, Nanking, 1842

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ANNUAL SUPPLY OF

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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hougkong, 2nd March, 1887.

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side of the paper only. Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued unti-Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should After hat hour the supply is limited.

TELEPHONE No. 12.

On Friday morning, 2nd March, at 11, Mosque Street, the wife of F. M. CUTIERREZ, of a daughter. On the 5th March, 1888, at "The Bluff." the Peak MARRIAGE.
At East Point, on the let March, by the Rev. G.

Bondfield, JOHN SUTHERLAND to MARGARET

ldest daughter of John Holmes, of Greenock. [470

HONGKONG, MARCH 7TH, 1888. THE Stamp Ordinance Amendment Bill, read The MAPS and PLANS have been mostly cit, has been introduced for the purpose of ment is as much bound to provide coin as it putting a tax of five per cent. on fire insur- is to provide roads, water, or police. ance effected in the colony with offices other | trust, therefore, that the matter will now A full Chronology of remarkable events since the Bill, said there was a label ready to be for sums of five dollars bank notes can be cil has still time to throw out the Bill on its to some extent prove a substitute, though third reading, and it is to be hoped it will an inadequate one, for the much needed do so, for if the Bill goes home it will as dollar notes. Where wages have to be paid, that passing the Bill will do no harm even dollars would be much superior as a medium if it is disallowed. We differ from His of payment to four chopped dollars, each of Excellency. Every ill-considered measure which may give occasion to a long dispute as passed by the Council and sent home, only to its true value. The half-dollars would also to be disallowed, constitutes an item of effect an economy in the use of the smaller evidence that may be used against us by coins where the change to be given is over fifty those who maintain the incompetence of the cents. We observe from the published corcolony to manage its own affairs. The prin- | respondence that in September, 1884, the ciple of the Bill has already been disallowed Colonial Treasurer recommended the issue by the Secretary of State. His Excellency of quarter and half dollars. The question says he hopes by stronger representations to, was referred to the Manager of the Hongbe able to induce the home Government to kong and Shanghai Bank with a request for alter its view. The hope will be found de- his opinion. In reply Mr. Jackson writes: lusive. The Board of Trade is certain to !-"I do not agree with the Treasurer that maintain its former objection to the intro- token coins of the value of twenty-five cents duction of protection into this free trade co- and fifty cents each should be introduced brought to bear against the measure by the Jackson gives is that—"I am of opinion that these offices not only pay municipal and twenty cent pieces meets the requirerates in England, but in the shape of income ments of the colony," On this point we perial charges and to the support of the Army change would disagree with Mr. Jackson, and Navy, to which this colony has to look for and would welcome a half-dollar cein as a protection. To put a differential tax on these boon. It is at all events a subject that is offices in a British colony would obviously be well worthy of further consideration, esunfair. But they could not object on prin- pecially in view of the fact that no further ciple to a tax imposed on all insurance companies alike. Such a tax might take the form of a duty on the amount of premia collected or a fixed licence fee. Mr. Lister appears to consider the first objectionable, though the reasons he advances against it are be unfair, because some offices do a large the 13th inst., at 9 p.m. business, some a small business, and to tar them all in the same amount would be inequitable. There is probably not a tax imposed in any part of the world to which objections on the score of inequity in its incidence could not be advanced. We fail to see that a fixed licence fee to be paid by insurance companies would be any more inequitable than other licence fees, say, for instance, the auctioneers' licence. All auctioneers doing business in this colony have to pay a licence

amount of business they do. Some, no

doubt, do ten times as much business as

others. The same principle applied to in-

surance offices would , necessarily impose a

it would be free from the objection of being

a protective measure. If insurance business

industries, say, rope making, for instance.

brought into the colony and sold by ship

analogous to that of the local insurance companies and the foreign agencies conduct. ed in merchants' offices. Yet no one would dream of proposing protection for rope making. But Mr. LISTER says the protection in the exec of insurance is not intended to be in favour of the local offices, but to be a protection against fige. This it would not be. The 11 a.m. to-morrow. The Band of the Regiment tax would either diminish the profits of the will be present on the Cricket Ground to-morrow foreign offices or drive some of them out of the colony altogether, but it would not in itself increase the cost of insurance to any extent calculated to reduce the temptation to incendiarism. Say a man wishes, to effect an insurance to the amount of \$20,000. At present rates that would cost him \$50. If he went to a foreign office t tax, under the new Bill, of \$2.50 would have to be paid. If the insurer were asked to pay it he would naturally take the business to a lency Governor Sir William Des Voeux and local office, where the tax would only be IO cents. The foreign office would therefore pay it rather than lose the business, and rates would remain the same, unless the foreign offices were driven out of the field when the local offices would be able restore rates to a fair and safe scale. But obviously, the arrangement is bad in ciple, and one which cannot be allowed to stand. If it has been found possible in All letters for publication should be written on one London to effect an arrangement between the authorities and the insurance companies by which the latter are charged with a contribution to the maintenance of the fire brigado we cannot see why a similar arrange ment could not be effected here, without resorting to the vicious expedient of imposing

differential taxation as between the local and

WE reproduce to-day a portion of the papers on the supply of subsidiary coinage laid before the Legislative Council on Monday. How very serious the scarcity of smal change is may be seen from the Colonia Treasurer's statement (not included in partion of the correspondence published today) that on the 11th February last five. this in part, but in part only; incontestably the cont pieces sold for seven times their par value and ten-cent pieces at four times their progress; two-thirds of the land is communal ing the German Squadron, were among those par value. We referred a few days ago to the condition of the entire soil (the Kingdom of the serious tax the premium on these coins Kin, where land was first denationalised, exmeans to those who have to use any consia second time and passed through Committee derable quantity of them in the course of their became purchasable and bequeathable, the inat the last meeting of the Legislative Coun- business. As Mr. Lister says, the Governthan local ones. The local offices support a placed on a satisfactory basis, and that scar- squalor have resulted. fire brigade of their own and also contribute city will be unknown in the future. The fears to the municipal rates, whereas the agencies of the home authorities that the word coins of outside companies contribute practically may at some future day be forced back on nothing to the expenses of the colony. That | the colony in large quantities from China are in common justice to the local offices they | quite unfounded, as is ably shown in Mr. should be made to do so cannot be disputed, Lister's report of the 6th April. But even but unfortunately the Government has with a full supply of subsidiary coins of the adopted a most injudicious means of effect. present denominations we would not be quite order to present his letters of credit to the King in touch with his instrument. The storm of aping this most desirable end. The Colonial | happy. Twenty, ten, and five-cent pieces do Treasurer, in moving the second reading of very well for payments up to a dollar, and affixed to it by those who object to the mea. obtained, but when a payment of say four sure; it would be said that it was protection | dollars has to be made, to count out small pure and simple, the epithet was there ready coins is a long and tedious operation, and to be flung and no doubt it would be flung. | probably the Treasury by a "full supply ' Naturally; and not only by those who ob- would hardly mean a supply large enough to ject to the taxation of outside insurance admit of their general use in payments of companies, but by all who are zealous for such amounts as this. Dollar notes are rare. the conservation of the freedom of trade in and recourse has therefore to be had to the this colony. If one description of business familiar and hateful chopped dollar of unmay have a differential tax put on it so may certain value. In our previous article we another. What the object of the differential suggested that a supply of half-dollar tokens tax may be is a mere side issue. The Coun- would relieve the existing inconvenience and

for many years to come. The delivery of the English mail was begun at 0.10 vesterday evening. Mr. Sangster's seventh Organ Recital will be not strong, and the second be considers would held in St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday next,

> We are requested to state that Mrs. Cameron's garden parties at Head Quarter House are discontinued until Thursday, the 5th proximo. The return of the Curator of the City Hall Museum shows that 187 Europeans and 2,918 Chinese visited that institution during the week

ended the 4th inst. One of the largest crowds of Chicese passengers by any one steamer arrived here yesterday the Ocean Steamship Company's steamer Diomed from Shanghai and Amoy, numbering 771.

A public dinner was given to M. Constans. Governor-General of French Indo-China at

The Russian corvette Vitiaz, Captain Mokaroff, from Manila 1st instant, arrived here vestershore battery, the Victor Emanuel, and the Gerin proportion to the business done, but man corvette Bismarck.

A fire broke out at Hanoi on the evening o the 26th February and spread to the stores of is allowed protection, the same advantage the Public Works Department and the Girls' could not logically be refused to our local School, which were completely destroyed. It is reported that the bodies of ten Appamites, and one European were recovered from the debris.

infinitesimal proportion of the taxes of the terday. The smallpox epidemic has now happily gineers for Mesars. Russell and Co., and Mr. almost subsided. The notification will, however, Cromarty seting for H.E the Governor of store-keeper, who sells a hundred other to useful should another epidemic occur at some Formess. The steamer launched was christened goods in the same premises. The case is future time.

We understand that the Police Force intend holding Athletic Sports this year. A Committee Langle-French combination to carry out a silver has been formed and the necessary arrangements corner. The Indian Government ought certainly are being made. The Sports will probably take to smile; it would benefit immensely if the value place about the second week in April. ..

A Cricket match will be played to-day and tomorrow (the 7th and 8th inst.) between the Garrison and the 58th Regiment. Play will commonce at 2 p.m. to day, and be resumed at

A telegram from Hanoi to the Courrier d'Hai Government servants whose salaries do not ex- of floring. ceed 6,000 francs per annum shall be allowed a lodging allowance of 500 francs per annum and a food allowance of 1.20 france per day.

The Messageries Maritimessteamer Saghalien. which leaves here to-day, takes a large number of passengers, among whom are His Excel Lieut. Auderson. A.D.C., for Singapore; Dr. J. da Silva, Chief Justice of Macao, and Senhor Barbosa, Macao Exchequer Department, for

The trial of the smelting apparatus at the mines at Tai-vü-shan has been entirely satisfactory, and a number of bars of lead and silver have been sent in as specimens to the Company's offices. It is hoped that by next week a successful trial of separating the silver from the lead will have taken place, and that the mines and The but machinery will shortly be in full working order. vourable.

The Courrier d'Haiphong says :-- M. Ikeda Commandant of Infantry, professor at the Tokovo Military school, and M. Tominago Lieutenant of Cavalry, officers of the Japanese army, have arrived in Tonquin on a mission from their Government. Commandant Ikeda is an old pupil of the military schools of St. Cyr of Paris. During the Franco-Chinese war he followed all the operations in Tonquin.

Dr. D. J. Macgowan, in his "Glimpses of Tonmin," says :---My Chinese servant commiserates the condition of the people, because of the " bitterness on which they are fed," which is ob vious to the most superficial observer. He was particularly struck by the employment of women as coolies trandling barrows, lugging burdens unloading vessels, and engaged in like toilsome servile employments. Chinese civilisation slow advanced the Annamese from savagery to their ages unknown, remaining absolutely stationary social and climatal reasons may be assigned for land tenure has been an element in returding cepted), and stagnation was the result, without dustrious, thrifty, intelligent, and fraudulent might almost be described as fast and furious. became its possessors, and then with competition she started on a career of prosperity, which i We regarded as one of the enigmas of history. This stimulus to industry and economy has only par-

The following items are taken from the Lor don and China Express of the 3rd ult. :--Hung Suen, the Chinese Minister to Germany has returned to Berlin from St. Petersburg.

H.E. Lew Shui-fun, the Chinese Minister London, has proceeded from Paris to Brussels, of the Belgians.

In the Spanish Senate Senor Alfonso has ask ed a question relating to certain abuses commit ted by the Bank de l'Indo-Chine at Manila. The into the affair and report to the Senate.

At the usual monthly meeting of the Liverpoo Chamber of Commerce the East India and Chin mend the Council of the Chamber to address. letter to the Government requesting that, in abolishing the export duty on tea.

During the very cold weather of the early part of the month the Chinese sojourning in Berlin caused much amusement by the change of costume which they adopted as a precaution against the suredly be disallowed. The Governor says or change given in shops, eight clean helf- cold. They assumed ear protectors made of the side pieces with blue silk profusely, painted with flowers. The inside was lined with furwhich projecting on the cheeks had the appear-Chinaman. They also abandoned steel or metal olse shell or horn.

Last September Sir John Pope Hennessy purchased the Rostellan estate, adjacent to Cork | genuine treat, which they rewarded by a spon-Harbour, where he contemplates settling down taneous round of applause. at the termination of his colonial service. previous landlord was Mr. Wise, than whom there was no more popular landlord in Ireland. Already Sir John and his tenantry are at loggerheads. At the Aghada branch of the National Mr. Niederoth. This band, some 25 in number. League, the parish priest, Canon Ryan, presiding, the tenants on the Rostellan estate tended and complained that they had been asked to purchase their farms under Lord Ash bourne's Act, and they consented. Subsequentlony. A strong opposition would also be into Hongkong." The only reason Mr. ly they were informed that they would have to ring and enthusiastic manner as to quicken pay a certain sum for forty-nine years, which English offices. It must not be forgotten that the present subsidiary issue of five, ten, under the Act. They were expected to pay twenty-five years' purchase on an excessive rent. The League passed the following resolution. based upon the ex parts statement of the ten- taste and expression, "The Long Avenue" tax and stamp duties contribute to the Im- think those who have occasion to use much lants:-"That this meeting, having fully considered the statement of the Rostellan tenants, is opinion that the agent is responsible for the action sought to be exterted from them, and that Club of H.I.G.M. Sophie then again came our knowledge that several persons who are not issue of dollar notes can now be hoped for bond fide farmers are offering sums for some of action as being detrimental to the cause of the tenant farmer considering the great decrease in

On the Elst ult, at the shipbuilding yard of and pleasing manner, evoking the plaudits of Messrs. R. and W. Hawthern, Leslie, and Co., her hearers. The violin solo "Eèverie" Limited, Newcastle, the launch took place of the [(Dancla), by Mr. von Wille was, it is needfirst of two steel twin-screw steamers, ordered from less to say, executed in his usual skilful and Formosa Trading Corporation, for the mail and fascinating style, but as the night was speeding passenger service between the Island of Formoss, he did not receive his hitherto unfailing and Shanghai, and Tientsin. The dimensions of the always merited encore. The same may be said vessels are :- Length, 250 feet, breadth, 34 feet, of the reception of Mr. C. H. Grace's song, depth, 19 feet. The vessel is built to the highest "The King's Minstrel," which was rendered class at Lloyd's, with deck-house of great strength for the accommodation of passengers from the with great vigour and taste, and would have simafter and of forecastle to the stern. Over this ply brought down the house earlier in the evenhouse is a shade deck, extending the full width ing. The programme was concluded by of the ship, and of the same length as the house. Mondelssohn's "Wedding March," played by the Forward of engine and boiler space in the large deck-house beforementioned is a handsome saloon string band of H.I.G.M.S. Bismarck, which was for 16 first-class European passengers, together | well received. The concert was the most successwith the necessary state-rooms, lavatory arrange- ful that has been given for some years, the suments, &c. This saloon will be handsomely fitted Haiphong on the 27th February. His Excellency in carved oak framing and Hungarian ash panels, expressed great faith in the future of Tonquin. and with a handsome piano, in cak case to undiences usually prove, and it was close on midmatch the framing. At the after end of the night when it rose to its feet to the strains of shade deck is a large music saloon, form "God Save the Queen." ing the entrance companion to the Chinese heavier burden on some than on others, day morning, and exchanged salutes with the first-class cabins. This saloon will be hand. somely fitted, and supplied with an organ forthe use of the Chinese. In the tween decks forward is accommodation for Chinese secondclass passengers, and in the ween decks abatt the engine-room for third-class Chinese. The vessel will be lighted throughout by the electric light. The vessel will be driven by two sets of triple expansion engines, having all the latest improvements, including Marshall's valve gear, A sanitary notification has been issued con- &c. There will be two multi-tubular doublepany has to pay rates and taxes in the colony taining instructions for the information and ended boilers, which will be fitted with forced while the manufacture of other makers guidance of those having the are of persons draught, and worked at a pressure of 360 lbs., a suffering from smallpox, which have been drawn high rate of speed being anticipated. These up by Dr. Cantlie. The notification is dated vessels are being built under the supervision of chardlers pays none whatever, or only an the 9th February, but was only circulated yes. Messrs: A. and W. Dudgeon, consulting on-

the Chia Shih.

In City circles there are rumours of a powerfulof the rupee were advanced only two-pence or three-pence, but at present we do not place much rolliance in the reports.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

LONDON, 4th March. THE SITUATION IN EUROPE. It is announced that the Austro-Hungarian phong states that M. Constans has decided that Government will ask the delegations for an in view of the high rents and high prices of food, extra Military grant of one hundred millions

> [HAVAS TELEGRAMS.] Paris, 27th February. ELECTIONS IN FRANCE. M. Flourens, Minister for Foreign Affairs

has been elected Deputy for the department of Hautes-Alpes, and M. Bourgeois, Prefect of Police, for the department of Marne. FROM "STRAITS TIMES." LONDON, 27th February.

England and France are exchanging views regarding the amendments to the Suez Canal Convention proposed by the Porte. THE HEALTH OF THE CROWN

THE SUEZ CANAL.

PRINCE. The bulletins from San Ramo continue fa-

CONSTANTINOPLE, 28th February. THE SITUATION IN BULGARIA. It is not expected that the Porte will compl with M. de Nelidoff's invitation with regard to Bulgaria, but that it will temporize. The other Ambassadors remain aloof.

> AMATEUR CONCERT AT THE CITY HALL.

On Monday evening, the 5th inst., a concert was given in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, by local amateurs, assisted by the band of H.I.G.M. corvette-Bismarck and the Gles-Club from the corvette Sophie, in aid of the funds of the Alico Memorial Hospital and the Hongkong College of Medicine for Chinese. His Excellency the Gopresent condition, in which they have existed for | vernor, Sir William Des Vœux, K.C.M.G., Mujor-General Cameron, C.B., and the Misses Cameron, Commodore Maxwell, R.N., and Mrs Maxwell, and Commodore Housner, Commandroperty, as, before the revolution in China, was present, the hall being crowded to its utmost capacity. Concerts in Hongkong are often rather slow and have a tendency to drag, but on xemption from poverty. When in China land this occasion the interest of the andience was well sustained throughout, and the applause The programme was commenced in an inte-

resting, and, at least in this part of the world novel manner by the overture to "Zampa tially existed in this country; impotence and (Herold) being played by a large and very efficient string band of "Jack Tars" from H. I. G. M. S. Bismarck, under the leadership of Mr. Neidoroth, who must be warmly complimented upon the able manner in which he wielded the bâton and the entire control he exercised over his band, the performers in which deserve the highest praise for the masterly style in which they played, each member seeming thoroughly plause which greated them at the conclusion of the overture was most thoroughly carned. The next item was the old Scottish melody. "The Lamont of Flora MacDonald," which was feeling-Minister for Foreign Affairs promises to look ly and artistically rendered by Mr. Geig, and deserved an even warmer reception than it received. The part songs, "Bankett Lied" and "Vöglein im Walde," were capitally given by the Glee Club trade committee reported they had been con- of H.L.G.M.S. Sophic, being sung with spirit and sidering correspondence from the Poochow in good time throughout. Some of the members trade, and the committee had resolved to recom- Miss E. C. Bayne, who made her first appear ance before the Hongkong public as a soloist has revising the treaties with China, attention may a pleasing soprano voice, and sang the "Rebe given to the desirability of reducing or quital" (Blumenthel) in a sympathetic and tasteful manner, fully meriting the warm marks of approval which greeted her at its close. The andience also testified its appreciation of Mr. G. P. Lammert's able execution on the piano of a "Nocturne" by Chopin and "Wellenspiel," by Spindler. Mr. E. W. Maitland received a hearty papier maché, the top covered with black satin. | encore for his rendering of "Ora Pro Nobis" (Piccolomini), to which he responded by singing "Only Once more." The first part of the pro ance of whiskers, an appendage never seen on a gramme was brought to a close by a clarionet solo, with orchestral accompaniment by the speciacle-frames, using those only made of tor- string band of the Bismarck. Mr. Boodecker, great ease and freedom, giving the company a

played in brilliant style, and at the close of the overture received a vehement recall, when, they good-naturedly played the Commandeur March (Latann) in such a stirevery pulse and set all feet moving. Miss they complained would confiscate their rights Stopani's appearance was the signal for a demonstration from the audience and upon it subsidence the fair artiste saug with much (Molloy), receiving at its conclusion an unmistakable encore, to which she responded with unfair treatment they are receiving, and the ex- "The Fisherman and his Child." The Glee they ought to decline to enter into any negotia- to the front and sang "Waldeinsamkeit" (Schmölizer) and "Schnick Schnack" (Schneider), which latter elicited an imperative re-de- or of both. the land on the Rostellan estate far and away in | mand, to which they obligingly responded. The excess of the value, we hereby condemn their next item on the programme was that well known. and ever popular Aria from Meyerbeer's "Robert Le Diable", "Robert toi que j'aime," which was song by Mrs. Simon in an artistic dience being more appreciative than Hongkong

The second part opened with the overture

'Lebenelust" (Latann) by the Full Band of

H.I.G.M. Squadron, under the conductorship of

THE IMPORTATION OF SUBSIDIAR COINS.

The following papers were laid on the table the Legislative Council on Monday:-RETURN OF THE AMOUNT OF SMALL COIL IMPORTED INTO HONGKONG DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS.

1879, \$10,000 1880, 10,000 1831, 10,000 50,000 100.000100.000 1833, 220,000 1884,.... 370,000 1885,..... 500,000 1683, 400,000

Cash. Conts. Discount. Discount Premium. per cent, per cent, per cent.

1883. May 1... Nov. 6 1884, May 2..... Nov. 3..... 1885. May 2..... 1886, May 3..... 7 . Nov. 2 1887, May 2..... Jabilee, 1.8 p.c. promium.
A. LISTER, Treasury,

Hongkong, 30th January, 1883.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1683. Sir.—I have the honour to suggest that the Crown Agents be instructed to send out to this Colony \$50,000 worth of subsidiary silver coinage every half-year, without special instructions for each shipment. The proportion of 20, 10, and 5-cent pieces should be the same as in recent shipments, and no copper should be sent on any account This plan of a half-yearly supply is the same as that adopted with regard to Postage Stamps, and if vigilance be used against over-stoc ing

But there is not the slightest risk of any overstock of these silver coins, even if we got double the amount suggested. They disappear into the interior of China, and I am informed that they may be seen in the most remote parts of the Kwang-tung province, converted into buttons and all kinds of similar small articles. If this coinage were a source of loss to the Government, it would become a very serious ed out to be the case, it would be a great boon to question how the absolutely indispensable, sup- this Colony, for we could then keep here a resply could be kept up, but as we make it at least pectable and fairly portable coinage for our own five per cent. on it we can afford its steady *b. local use. sorotion into China. Still, in view of the pos- The experiment would have to be made with sibility that this correspondence may be submitted to the Imperial Treasury, I should like to say plainly that these coins are not asked for because, incidentally, they yield a profit, We desire to keep the Public Offices r asonably supplied with oh ngo, which is still difficult, and to have sufficient small coin left for the wants of the Public, the Army, and the Navy. I pledge myself to stop the supply on the very first symptom of the coins falling to a discount, but there

is not at present the least reason to anticipate anything of the kind. I am happy to say that the good effects of stopping the supply of copper are-already perceptible. Copper cents used to be at a discount of thirty per cent. the discount now is only ten per cent. Still we enght not to think of having any out till they are at a premium.—I have the honour to be. Sir, your most obedient servant, A. Lister. Treasurer.

GOVERNOR'S ORDER IN REPLY TO THE ABOV I doubt very much whether the Secretary of State would sanction a general instruction of this nature. The introduction into any Colon of large quantities of Tokens is looked on with auspicion. It is easy to make requisitions from ime to time as these tokens are wanted \$50,000 worth were sent for quite recently.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1883 Sir.—I have the honour to request that the Crown Agents be directed to order and forward to this Colony as soon as possible \$60,000 worth of Subsidiary Silver Coin.

My reason for making this requisition at thi ime is that unless it be forwarded at once the coins will not arrive before the Chinese New Tear, at which time there is always a run upon

I would call your attention to the following acts with reference to the last shipment, which speak for themselves.

\$50,000 worth of small coin was ready for issue at this Department on April 17th last. No l of this Colony. notice was issued to the public. The military and naval authorities at once equisitioned for \$22,000. -

The subsequent issues were as follows:-28..... 4,500

The issue was stopped on May 16th, as the to express instructions of the Lords of the balance on hand (after 4 weeks only) was reduced | Treasury to issue Token half dollars. See Goo 36.800, which it was absolutely necessary to perminent Guzette No. 2 of 1867. We have made keep for Government use. Since suspending an average profit of 71 per cent, during the last Chamber relating to the decay of the China tea of this Club possess very fine and powerful voices. She issue of these coins, the following application of the imports of Subsidiary coins.

Messageries Maritimes Company ... 3 1 Chartered Mercantile Bank Oriental Bank Messrs. Turner & Co. Mr. A. M. Baptista M. Marmande Chartered Bank of India...... 10,000 The Basel Mission Pacific Mail Company..... Eastern Extension Telegraph Co....

Had any notice been issued to the public when the coins first arrived, there would have been many more than the above applications. I would add that persons so applying are ourse requested to wait for the next shipment; but when that arrives, the coins are expended so the soloist, manipulated his instrument with quickly, that unless they are very prompt indeed (and on the last occasion we could not venture to notify the arrival of a consignment) they find they have again missed an opportunity of getting some small change .- I have, &c.,

(Signed) A. LISTEB, The Honourable W. H. Marsh, Colonial

Treasury, Hongkong, 29th October, 1883. Sir.—I have the honour to suggest that the Crown Agents be requested to order and forward to this Colony \$60,000 worth of Subsidiary

Silver Coin in the following proportions:-Twenty-cont pieces,.....10 per cent.

No copper should be sent upon any account. In making this Requisition I am not unawar that one shipment of \$50,000 is already in the Colony, whilst another of 86,000 will shortly

The former, however, will probably be all absorbed before the end of this year. the latter will arrive in time for the Chinese New Year. and will all be taken up within a few weeks, if even the Military and Naval Authorities do notrequisition for a large portion of either shipment

. A trifling incident tends to shew what the

scarcity of these coins is. A lady presented herself the other day at the Post Office window and begged to be allowed two dollars worth of small change. She was a stranger, and was unable to get change anywhere in the Town. Had the applicant been a man, I should unhesitatingly have refused, for I had with difficulty spared \$80 from the scanty reserve in the Treasury for the wants of the Post Office and Stamp Office. Had the shipment which is now to hand arrived but a week or two later, we should have had to purchase small coins at a premium of about one per cent. for the use of the various Departments.

A profit of about 5 per cent. accrues on these coins.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your most A. LISTER, Tressurer.

The Hon. W. H. Marsh, C.M.G., Colonial 1886, a man named Ko Yan Mun, to whom plain-Treasury. Hongkong, 3rd November, 1883.

October 29th, on the subject of a further supply | and closed defendant's shop and seized the goods of Subsidiary Silver Coin, I beg to call your therein until plaintiff paid the fine of \$200 and a jention to the following facts. A consignment of \$50,000 worth of these pressure to prevent his business being ruined. coins has just come to hand. They were count- He now sought to recover this sum on the ed into the Bank on the 31st. No notice what- ground that the seizure was illegal; that he was ever has been issued to the public, indeed I am not liable in any case to pay the fine so imposed at a loss to know where the applicants for the on Ko Yau Mon; and that he paid the sum coins got their information.

Nevertheless in two days issues have been made to the amount of \$16,390, mostly in small sams. Had I not cut down some of the Re- simply rented a room at the back. When dequisitions, which were for immederate amounts, fendant came to his shop he closed it and put the issue would have been over \$26,000, or more a watchman in possession; and told-witness that than half the shipment. A set of rules has been framed for the re- distress would be levied upon the goods. He

to the Secretary of State. - I have the honour his business, he was obliged to go and borrow the to be, Sir, your most obedient servant. A. LISTER, Treasurer. The Hon. W. H. Marsh, C.M.G., Colonial

Hongkong, 4th September, 1884.

Secretary.

to a point of considerable practical interest in connection with our subsidiary coinage. It appears to me that if this coinage, instead of consisting of 5, 10, and 20 cent pieces consisted of 5 and 10 cent pieces, quarter dollars, and half dollars, it would be in every way, more ushful even than it is. There is moreover, I think.... ample power to introduce quarter and half dollars under the Queen's proclamation of January 9th, 1863 (see Gasette of May 2nd, 1863) and Or-

linance No. 1 of 1861.

The quarter and half dollars so introduced would of course be tokens containing 20 per cent. of alloy, but so far from this being a disadvantage, it might very possibly suffice to prevent the export of these coins to China, which, in the case of the present subsidiary coinage, drains the Colony of it as fast as it is imported. I am told that these-coins are now in common use in Canton, throughout the Kwangtung province, and are even beginning to be seen in the North. There is perhaps no great objection to China's being supplied with coin through this Colony, except that we cannot keep sufficient here. The following figures will show that the large importations of silver coin we have lately made have not in the least tended to overstock the Colony, for the premium in the ordinary market on ten cent pieces was:-

On May 1, 1883, 9 per cent " November 6, 1883, ... I

May 2, 1884, 1.4 ,, ,, September 4, 1884, ..., 1

The Chinese are well aware that these coins are allowed but their extreme convenience over-Valances the popular prejudice against alloyed silver. A half-dellar, however, is a more serious matter to a native than 10 cents, and I think it quite possible that a token half-dollar, whilst passing here freely enough, might command no great circulation on the mainland. If this turn-

caution, for it would not do to encumber the Government with a large shipment of an unpopular coin. But even if the new half-dollar were a little unpopular at first, the eagerness of the Chinese to get five and ten cent pieces would float off any moderate quantity, if (as at present) the rule were onforced of issuing all denominaious of coins together.

No attempt to provide a half-dollar of par value could be made without serious loss. . I make no proposals at present about any definite supply, as it will probably be thought advisable to refer the general question home first. I have the honour to be. Sir, your most obe dient servant.

A. Lister, Treisurer. the Hon. W. H. Marsh, C.M.G., Colonial Se-

The Government would be much obliged to the manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, if he would state his views on this recom-W. H. Marsh, Colonial Secretary

4th September, 1884. To the Honourable T. Jackson MENO. FOR THE COLONIAL SECRETARY. I do not agree with the Treasurer that token

coins of the value of twenty-five cents and fifty cents each should be introduced into Hongkong. I am of opinion that the present subsidiary issue of five, ten, and twenty cent pieces meets the requirements of the Colony. The export of subsidiary coins from Hongkong

ought not to be looked upon as a grievance, considering that there is a large profit upon them: I think the profit upon said coins might be increased by judicious purchases of Silver in London from time to time when favourable diary coins ought always to be kept in Hongkong. The proposed method of forcing the balf dollar token coins into circulation I consider I most arbitrary, and unworthy of the Government

T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong and Shanghui Bank. Hongkong, 6th September, 1884.

I annex a report on this proposal from the Ionourable T. Jackson, Chief Manager of the Bank (Hongkong and Shanghai). Lagree with him that the proposal of the Treasury cannot be recommended. Moreover it would be contrary drain of these coins may be.

Submitted. W. H. MARSH, Colonial Secretary. 8th September, 1884.

Ingree. But for Executive Council. G. F. Bowen, Governor. 9th September, 1881. Considered in Executive Cuncil this day. The

Council advise that no change should be made in the coinage of the Colony. J. H. STEWART LOCKHART. Acting Clork of Councils. 10th September, 1884.

The remainder of the correspondence we are compelled to hold over until to-morrow.]

SUPREME COURT

6th March.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HON. J. RUSSELL, ACTING CHIEF

CHILL CHU, U. V. WONG YAU YUT. This was a claim for \$1,694.35 for damages or breach of contract. Mr. Ho Kai, instructed by Mr. Ho Wyson, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Robinson, instructed by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, for the

Mr. Ho Kai, in opening the case for the plaintiff, said that plaintiff brought this claim owing to defendant having refused to take delivery of cortain cases of matches he had ordered. These orders were four in number, and were given separately. Defendant denied having given two of the orders, and of the two which he had admitted he had taken delivery only of thirty nine cases, and bad refused the remainder alleg-Ling that they were not up to sample. The remainder were accordingly sold, and after dedusting the proceeds of the sale from the total sum, 81,694.35 still remained due to plaintiff,

which sum he now claimed, with costs of the A number of witnesses were thenc alled, and the hearing of the case was not concluded when

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. BEFORE MR. A. J. LEACH, ACTING

Puisne, Judge. To KAI v. Mok LAI CHI. Mr. Caldwell appeared for the plaintiff, and

the Crown Solicitor (Mr. A. B. Johnson) for the defendant. Mr. Caldwell said that plaintiff was a shoe's maker occupying the ground floor of No. 314.

Queen's Road Central. On the 6th September, tiff sub-let a portion of the ground floor, was convicted at the Police Court of dealing in Pak Kop Piu lottery tickets, and was fined \$200. The man not being able to pay, the defendant, who Sir,-With reference to my letter No. 41 of | was usher at the Police Court, took possession of \$2 for expenses. Plaintiff paid this under under compulsion.

Plaintiff was called and stated that Ko Yau Mun had no share whatever in his shop. He if the fine was not paid within three days a gulation of the issue of these coins, I would told defendant that the goods did not belong to suggest that a few printed copies be forwarded | Ko Yau Mun. As he was unable to carry on

money to pay the flue. Mok Lai this the defendant, said that he went to the shop, No. 314, Queen's Road Central, by virtue of the distress warrant produced. He was told by the Police that Ko You Mun had a share in the shop. He told the men in the shop

Sir,-I have the honour to call your attention that Ko Yau Mun was fined and that un-

less the fine was paid a distress would be levied. They asked him not to seize any of the goods, as there were articles there belonging to customers. He closed the shop and put a man in possesion to watch it. Plaintiff then got the money and paid the fine at the Magistracy. He did not

make any protest when he paid it.

Cros-examined by Mr. Caldwell, witness said is did not read the whole of the warrant. When he went to the shop he was under the impres. sion that Ko Yau Mun was one of the proprie: tors. Ko Yau Mun went to the shop with him and took him into his room. Mr. Johnson was about to call the watchman who was placed in possession, when his Lordship said he did not think that it would be of any He could not see how Mr. Johnson could carry his case. There was no evidence to show that plaintiff was even implicated in the offence of which Ko Yau Mun was charged. Even if he

Mr. Johnson said the question was whether plaintiff was entitled to get this money back. His Lordship said he thought plaintiff certainly was. There had evidently been a mistake made, and the Government should have

been the first to remedy it. Mr. Johnson said his main point was that the money had been paid without condition or reservation. If plaintiff had given notice in the proper course his claim would have been duly considered and di-posod of, but because he had omit ted to take the proper stops it was hard that the Government should be called upon to bear the loss. Before deciding the suit he would ask his Lordship to read over the case of Value Manley which was similar to this one. Mr. Caldwell said his friend had argued that

Because this money was paid without prote t it could not be recovered. This as it stood was bad law, but more than that he contended that the they could, had they thought fit, have also cinimed damages from him: His Lordship said he would read over the case

his judgment the following day.

POLICE COURT. 6th March.

Before Mr. H. E. Wodehouse.

for being drunk and incapable on the 5th instant, WATCHMAN TO GAMBLERS. Chong Asap, a boatman, was charged by Sunder Singh, P.C. 509, with obstructing him in the excention of his duty in that the defendant acted as watchman to gamblers on the Praya on the 5th instant. Defendant said that he was only waving to a

Fined \$2, or fourteen days' hard labour. TRESPASSING.

Au Apang, coolie, was fined \$1, or seven days hard labour, for depositing building rubbish or Government ground on the 5th instant.

Kwok Apui, carpenter, was charged with stealing one blanket, one pair trousers, and one jacket, in all of the value of 83, the property a great want of energy in his department has of a married woman, named Li Aho, on the 6th been felt of late. The streets and lanes are in a france, at others from 50 to 20 for. The general

Defendant admitted the charge, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour."

CUTTING TREES. Li Afuk, coolie, was charged with cutting trees on Crown land, at Aberdeen, on the 5th instant, after everything himself; still, he is looked Wong Kenng, P.C. 184, said he saw the defendant carrying newly cut branches at Aberdeen, and arrested him

\$1, or seven days' hard labour.

CHARGE OF INDECENT ASSAULT. Charles Frederick Dawkes, private of the 58th Regiment, was charged with indecently assaulting Rhoda Bigent Complainant said she was maid to Mrs. Hearne, residing at present at the Hongkong Hotel. the 5th inst. about 3.30 p.m. she was walking inthe direction of the Naval Hospital. She had got as far as the lodge when she noticed prisoner behind her. He was walking by himself. She wish you would walk on," and he said he would although the purchase of the buildings for the Prisoner then dropped behind her again, but site will cost some \$140,000. after going a few yards he stopped up to her. and catching hold of her threw her to the ground and tried to commit an indecent assault upon

her She struggled and got away from him. tacked him but that it had a muzzle on. A Chinese woman came past and witness walked on behind her. Prisoner followed her and asked her to forgive him, and said he was self. He showed her a steep place by the side of spectively. the road and said he would push her down it. She walked on as far as the Wanchai Gap, and was going to turn down into the town. Prisoner asked her to go down to the Racecourse, and getting hold of her again threw her down and attempted to assault her, at the same time using an expression which showed his intention towards her. She got up and ran in the direction of the main road. He overtook her and pushed her down, and once more attempted to assault her. Some Chinese came out of a house close by and she called to them. She then got up and walked on a few yards. She then met a constable and gave prisoner in charge. Prisoner was under the influence of drink at the time. She had never seen him, to her knowledge, before. He did not actually assault her on either occasion. When she was on the ground the first time, she said "Let me get up, the dog will tear you to pieces." Prisoner said "I will was robbed in the street, and the practice of let you get up if you will go for a walk." She premised to do so if he would behave himself. He then walked along with her some distance and kissed her. He put his arm round her waist, but when sho asked life in this colony in jeopardy. Last night several him not to do so he put his arm in her's and they of the fraternity fired upon a European constable. walked together to the Wanchai Gap. When he tried to assault her she screamed loudly and resisted him. A Chinese woman passed them at the time, and witness called out to her, but shot one dead. The constable lies now in hospital she took no notice. She said to prisoner "Let in a precarious condition. Another, and more some time. She was to have gone for a walk

James Duffin, constable at the Naval Hospital, said that he was on duty at the lodge on the 5th inst. at 4 p.m. He saw complainant walking in the direction of Hongkong accompanied by a large dog. He saw the prisoner follow her up the Kennedy Road. He was behind her for some time, and he afterwards came up level with her. Complainant took no notice of him. Witness lost sight of them when the people of his district the rain they bring on they had got about fifty yards along the themselves by going to law. The editor quite road. He saw them again when they were near agrees with him, and thinks lawyers are infinitely the Wauchai gap. They appeared to be walking worse than tigers. It is better to put up with a together. He noticed them because he had seen little less than let them bring you to utter grief the soldier follow complainant into Kennedy under pretonce of protecting your rights. Road. He noticed that prisoner was walking unsteadily, and appeared to be drunk.

with her mistress, but had missed her. She did

not attempt to run away as she had not the

was in the Queen's Road, passing Morrison his master putting it down that he had run away the Salt tax, and expressed his approval of the Hill. He saw complainant coming down the with the purchase money; but after a week or appointment of the Royal Commission demanded hill. He went towards the Racecourse, and after so, night after night there came a mysterious by the previous speaker, Sir John Gorst extaking a walk round came back along the knocking at his door, though when the door plained to the House the causes of the deficit Kennedy Road. When he got as far as the was opened no one was to be seen. Thinking and defended the financial policy of the Indian cow-sheds he saw the complainant and prisoner this must be a message from the other world, Government. Regarding the Royal Commission going down a steep place in the direction of No. 3 he went to the village to enquire about the missPolice Station; prisoner had hold of her arm and ing man, and on the way there found the body until after the formorming report of the Public she appeared trying to get rid of him. He saw of the murdered man. Who can deny that Service Commission had been received and conher get away from the prisoner, who ran after ghosts can come back after this? her and stopped her. He then saw prisoner put Admiral Lang's fleet has left Foochew and drawn. his arms round her and throw her down. With gone to Shanghai. In consequence of the fogs, ness ran towards the spot, but when he got there and only going by day, they took five days going they were gone. He went on towards the up. Two vessels have gone into dock, and the Queen's Road, where he found them. Prisoner, squadron will remain in Shanghai about a month who appeared to be drunk, was then in custody, before going North,

The complainant was very pale. The further hearing of the charge was ad at Hui-chon deting back to the Sung dynasty, only and solely to the disputes arising regarding journed till Friday, the 9th inst., at 10 a.m.

Paris Figaro, "of a valuable remedy for nervous Possibly an advertisement drawing attention decay. The discovery was made by a missionary at Wen Chang-sha, Fatshan. the Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions days; the latter declares life to be no longer Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send worth living, and, laying hold on his oppressor, the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a jumps into the Canal with him. Luckily the self addressed stamped envelope."

CORRESPONDENCE. not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions

expressed by our Correspondents. A CAUTION TO PEDESTRIANS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

DEAR SIR,-I shall be obliged to you if you will let your readers know the risks which defenceless persons run when walking about the unfrequented roads of this colony. The Commander of the steamer Lombardy was strolling on Kennedy Road immediately above Head Quarter House at 3 p.m. on Saturday last, when he was assaulted from behind by a Chinaman, who struck him twice on the legs

with a bamboo. Capt. Preston turned quickly and struck the blackguard sharply noross the wrist with his stick, when the latter dropped his weapon and bolted. Had Capt, Preston were that would not make defendant's action fallen from the effects of the first two blows he would of course have been hammered senseless and then robbed.

People ought not to venture out of the crowd. ed streets unless they are prepared to repel such attacks as this. - I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. MAUAO.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

The time for the renewal of the differen

5th March.

farms' leases has arrived, and the Pork monopoly was put up for sale by auction on Saturday and realised \$20,900 for the year. This is about \$3,000 over the price obtained last year. The money was paid under compulsion. A great mis. Fantan farm for Colowan was let for \$2,650 per take had been made by the defendant, and in ad- annum. To-day the valuable Fish farm will be dition to being entitled to get this money back, offered by public auction, and it is to be hoped that theoldfarmer will take it up again. If he does so a revival of that once extensive trade is sure to brought to his notice by Mr. Johnson and give take place. This is an important industry, which should always be under the management of experienced men like the old farmer, as it gives life to many other branches of trade besides its in the N. C. Daily News, writes ;-own prosperity. Had the Government listened to what was suggested when the defaulting former was about to take up the lease the 20,000 fishermen would not have shifted their establishments from forty balls, or a picul of opium is boiled daily on Macao. The greed of the Government, however, could not forego the actual receipt of \$4,000 more for the Iense, even to the sacrifice of the Mukt r Fetah, fireman, was fined fifty cents good standing of the industry, which had been carried on by the old farmer to the complete satisfaction of all concerned. The consequence is the total wreck of the trade and the non-fulfilment of the terms of the contract.

> Senhor Francisco Maria Salles has been appointed Acting Chief Justice during the absence and disiphong—the former is situated near the of Dr. J. J. da Silva, who goes home on six months' leave. Sr. Salles was formerly Acting Chief Justice of Timor.

It grieves one to see the condition of our harbour; it has been getting worse and worse, and the consequence is that business affect is duller every day. What has been the matter with our Surveyor General it is hard to say, but lamentably neglected state, in fact they are a disgrace to a civilized colony and a repreach the department concerned. It is not expected A broadsheet of enormous dimensions is posted that Senhor Horta e Costa should look upon as the responsible man, and he should give Defendant made no defence, and was fined thoroughfares are kept in good and decent order. | reto," which is divided into six chapters and

be constructed opposito the Sonade. In this undertaking the Senado deserves the thanks of the public. Blocks of houses are to be the drug could incontestibly be produced in Tonbought up to prepare the site. I have said On a new market, but, to the shame of the colony, there is not an old one worthy of the natives the proper mode of cultivating the plant | Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Li- No cause could be assigned for the act, as one without any unnecessary delay. A good turned into the Kennedy Road and prisoner | Market under the control of the Municipality followed her. She walked on till she came to the should surely pay the cost of its erection and Black Rock, when prisoner came up level with bring in substantial profit to the Exchequer/

The auction sale of the late Mr. Murray's | mail of the Srd ult., arrived here yesterday evenfurniture and effects took, place on Saturday | ing. The following telegrams are taken from and will be continued to-day. The prices fetched | Ceylon and Indian papers :--She had a dog with her which would have at- so far are satisfactory. The sale was well at. tended by foreigners and Chinese alike, friends of the deceased gentleman. Amongst those present were the Chief Justice and Mr. Bond, Act. 3,600 votes, replacing Mr. Licaits, resigned. very sorry for what he had done. She told him ling British Vice-Consul, in their official capashe would report him if he did not behave him- cities on behalf of the Court and Consulate re-

> The Chief Justice and Sr. Barbosa and family will leave this for Hongkong by the river boat to-morrow, to take passage by the French mail steamer leaving on Wednesday for home. Barbosa's numerous friends availed thomselves of this opportunity to offer him a farewell dinner at the Club on Saturday evening.

6th March, The fish farm was duly put up for sale by auction, but, I regret to say, only fetched \$8,000 which is \$6,000 under the price for the last lease That figure was not accepted, however, and the lease will be again offered some time later.

Daring robberies would seem to be growing numerous. The other night another Chinaman leaving the victim in the state of Adam in the garden of Eden was again resorted to. The audacity of the footpads seems to be putting wounding him in the breast. The constable, although wounded, pursued the misoreants and me get up, there is some one coming." He let serious, case occurred on Saturday night, whom a Equare riots, have been released. lukong was shot dead. His murderer has been

> SUMMARY OF THE "KWANG-PAO."

5th March. LEADING ARTICLE.

Leading article on a proclamation by the Nanhui Magistrate near Shanghai pointing out to

Story of a murder, near Macao. The murdered Sir Richard Temple deprecated the pessimist S. M. Thompson, engineer, reciding at Wan- man had been sent to buy some old furniture in criticisms of the spances of India; he defendchai, said that on the 5th inst., about 4 p.m., he one of the outlying villages, and had disappeared, ed the action of Government in raising

being that of the second wife of Su Wen-king. the Fisheries on the North Atlantic Coast. A thief discovered by slipping down and breaking the jar which had contained some rare old An Important Discovery is announced in the wine he had stolen from his master and sold. debility, physical exhaustion, and premature to the cellar of old wine of a public housekeeper Guiana has, in pursuance of instructions from manded. in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable A hard creditor seizing the money his debtor ous regions in Yuruars belonging to the Venexistence and an early grave. We learn that had scraped together for the New Year's heli- exuelan Republic.

and the tragedy ends in a farce. The creditor, after chaffing his fee for a while from the bank, which he had reached in safety, pulls him out and gives him one of his dollars back. A lost obild taken charge of by a watchman and restored to his parents.

A man mutilates himself without any assignable cause: put down to demoniacal influence probably it was spirits of some sort-Instance of javenile depravity. A boy of 1: years old smoking two mace of opinin a day his father had smoked before him, and insensibly, he had acquired the habit.

A bad son, threatening to burn the house down because his father beat him, is handed over to the Police, but subsequently is bagged off by his

parents,

Five candidates at Pole and six at Kucishan scratched off the list. On comparing their essays with those written at a previous examination the style was so different that it was evident that on one or the other occasion, probably both, they had got their essays written for them. Extracts from Peking Gazettes, including two lecroes with reference to the removal of several filteers in Yunua and reward of several others sent by special telegram to the Kwang-pao. There would appear therefore to have been no

very important decrees there lately. The various Yamens resumed business on Saturday. All the High Officers attending at the Vicoroy's Yamen and subsequently at the ON NEW YORK .-Governor's Yamon to offer their congratulations: on the termination of the helidays. Various appointments gazetted.

The Literary Chancellor is on his way back to Canton, the examinations at Huichow being over. H. E. the Tarker General is to be congratulat- ON CALCUTTA .ed on the birth of another grandson. Extracts from Hongkong and Shanghai papers. Farther contributions to Yellow River Fund. On SHANGHAL. A display of anagrammatic lanterns will take place to night.

THE TONQUIN OPIUM FARM.

Dr. Macgowas, in his "Glimpses of Tonquin'

At the commencement of the present year a syndicate to whom the monopoly of importing, fabricating, transporting, and v nding opious was conceded, commenced its operations, and already

the premises of the Company :--eighty charcoal furnaces and as many huge brazen bowls are equired for that work and about a hundred men. The capital of the syndicate, 1,490,000 francs, s divided into 2,000 shares of 700 francs, a d in held by a small number of individuels: it is expected that by this means the revenue from opium will be increased to three millions of francs, while the company will find their undertaking remunerative Importation of opium is restricted to Lackai

head of Red River navigation on the lorders of Yunuan, from which province the drug that is in common use is imported. Indi in opium is imported into Halphone. Last year the imports into T nquin were :-

Indian Opium......39,317.700=-550.95 Yunn in (11 mes) Opium 19,215,320-318.13 bicouses are issued by the Opium Bureau to opium smoking dens in the chief cities for 100 the Director of Customs, whose staff are vigilant in preventing frauds upon the syndicate. at the opium boiling works, head d " Protectorat l'Annam et du Tonkin. Arrêté Portant Reglement sur la Ferme de l'opium. Le Ministre Plenipotentiaire et Resident General de la Réinstructions to his subordinates to see that public public publique Française en Annam et Tonkin. Ar-

> ment on opinm cultivation : the result was that quin of the same quality as that from Bengal, and manipulating its secretion, and hence opium definitely postponed.

> > THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. &O. steamer Deccan, with the English

ELECTION INTELLIGENCE. LONDON, 17th February. Mr. Firth, Separatist, has been defeated for Dundes by General Daly, Unionist, who polled LONDON. 18th February. Mr. R. K. Causton, Separatist, has been defeated by Mr. Bidiall, Conservative, for South wark west, by a majority of 1,200 votes, replacing Mr. Arthur Cohen, who resigned his seat.

LONDON, 19th February. Sir Henry Holland, Secretary of State for the Colonies, being raised to the Peerage, Mr. Buchanan, now a Separatist, formerly a Liberal Unionist, has been re-elected for Edinburgh West defeating Mr. Thomas Raleigh, Unionist by a majority of 48,

THE NEW PEER. London, 21st February Sir Henry Holland, on being raised to the Peerage, has assumed the title of Baron Knutsford. THE NEW-BULES OF PROCEDURE.

LONDON, 17th February. The rules for the regulation of procedure now before the House of Commons provide for the sittings to commence earlier, for the application of the closure if the majority consists of a hundred members, and gives power to the Speaker to order disorderly members to withdraw and to stop members speaking on matters irrelevant to the subject before the House.

MR. PARNELL AND THE CRIMES ACT. London, 18th February. In the Commons last night Mr. Parnell's motion, regarding the Crimes Act, was rejected by a majority of 83 votes. MESSES. GRAHAM AND BURNS RELEASED. Messrs. Cunninghame Graham and Burns, who

were imprisoned for taking part in the Trafalgar THE NEW UNDER SECRETARY FOR THE LONDON, 20th February.

The report that Baron Worms would be appointed Under Secretary of State for the Colonies is confirmed OBITUARY.

Count Corti, Italian Ambassador in London AN AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT. London, 21st February. Lord John Manners announced the intention of Government to submit a Bill to the House for the establishment of a Department of Agriculture.

AMENDMENT ON INDIAN FINANCE. Mr. Samuel Smith, M.P. for Flintshire, moved an amendment expressing regret at the everrecurring deficits and drging that more rigid economy be practised; he also demanded the appointment of the promised Royal Commission to enquire into the Government of India. sidered. The amendment was accordingly with-

THE NEW AMERICAN FISHERIES TREATT. WAIHINGTON, 16th February. The Commissioners who have been engaged discussing and arranging the North American Fisheries dispute ere quite in accord in holding Notice of the renevation of a celebrated grave that the Treaty which has been concluded relates

BRITISH EXPEDITION TO YURUARS. NEW YORK, 18th February. Lord Salisbury, sext a force to seize the aurifer-

AMERICAN BAILWAY STRIKE ENDED. PHILADELPHIA, 18th February. The strike on the Philadelphia Reading 137 creditor could swim, while the debtor could not, Railway has terminated.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT ON VOLUNTEERS. BOMBAY, 15th February. The Dake of Commanght inspecting the Bombay Volunteer Artillery expressed the great satisfaction which he felt that corps had been formed both in Bombay and in Calculta. Some auxiliary assistance was required owing to the many calls for Artillery in all parts of India.

NEW DOCK AT BOMBAY. BOMBAY, 21st February. The New Victoria Dock having been comploted eight months before the contract, time. the water will be admitted into the basin this A fire caused by the letting off of crackers in evening, and it is hoped it will be ready for use honour of a marriage; happily not much damage in the coming season. It has a water area of 204 acres and three spacious jetties are thrown out from the west side berthing nine steamers.

> COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE TUESDAY, 6th March EXCHANGE. Lом пом.— Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight3/0g Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight3/0g

Credits, at 4 months' sight3/11 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight......3/13)n Paris.--Credits at 4 months' sight3.94 ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer2201 Bank, on demand

Bank, at sight721

Quotations are:--

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-1531 per cent. premium, ex div. sales. Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited-\$871 per share. China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares- | Montebello have endorsed his action. 269 per share.

North China Insurance—Tle, 265 per share. Yangtere Insurance Association-Tls. 110 per telegram stating that all hope of the Crown Chinese Insurance Company, Limited-\$195 per

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited-Tls. 148 per share. Canton Insurance Office, Limited-\$74 per share, ex div. Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares- ruptured upon points regarding the tariff.

\$340 per sbare, ex div. China Fire Insurance Company's Shares-873 per share, ex div. Straits Marine Insurance Company, Limited-\$29 nom., sellers. Straits Fire Insurance Company, Limited-\$21. ex div.

Shares-52 per cent. prem., ex div. Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—\$106 per cent. prem. ndo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares-15 per cent. discount, sales. China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited or five years, -853 per share. Douglas Steamship Company, Limited \$50 per

supervision of the syndicate has been committed Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$125 per Japanese houses in the Hirobaba district. There Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares-\$195 per would extend to the European Concession, but China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$159 quarter of the Settlement did not suffer. There were several accidents during the conflagration. per share, sales. Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited-343 and one European and one Chinese were killed per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares-\$54 per share, ex div. We are about to have a new Market, to gives forty-three sections for the guidance of all Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited -\$110 per share. An expert was brought from India to experi- Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Early on the morning of the 29th ult., Gundah

> mited—\$50 per share. cultivation in the protectorate has been in- A. S. Watson & Co., Limited-70 per cent Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., whilst in an unsound state of mind was returned. RISKS at Current Rates. Limited—\$144 per share, sales. Singapore Insurance Company, Limited-\$21 in No. 229, Queen's Road West, and spread per share. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B-8 per cent. in all being burned before it was brought into

Chinese Imperial Lean of 1884 C-9 per cent pramium, nom., sales Chinese Imperial Loan, 1886 E-9 per cent premium, nom.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE. (From Musers, Parcours & Co.'s Hagieres.) March 6th. Thermometer-9 A.K. Thormometer-t r.w. (Wet bulb) Thermometer-Maximum65

LUINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

bth March, 1888, at 4 P.M.

6th March, 1888, at 10 A.M. Shanghai.... Hongkong ...

The Barometer continues rising and gradients are steep for N.E. winds. Cloudy, cold, and damp weather prevails. Hongkong Observatory, 6th March, 1888.

W. DOBERCK. METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Previous on date on date at 1 p.m. at 4 p.m. Sarometer Temperature Inmidity Direction of wind ... EN.E. E,N.E briw to core 0.08

1.—BANDMETER reduced to 82 degrees Fabrenhednitact the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

3.—TEMPETER in the shade in degrees Fabrenheit.

3.—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of six saturature with moisture being 100. 4.—Direction of white Wind to two points,

6.—Force of the Wind according to Boanfort Scale,

6.—State of the Whaters: B. blue dry.; C. detached douds: D. drizzing rain; F. fog: G. gloomy; H. hail; I. lightning; C. overcast; P. passing showers; Q. squally; H. rain; S. snow; T. thunder; V. visibility; W. dew (net).

7.—Rain in inches, tent's and hundredthe.

W. DOBERCK. Hongkong Observatory, 6th March, 1888.

NEWS FOR THE FRENCH MAIL LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 17th February. Sir. James Fergusson declining to produce diplomatic papers with reference to the European situation. Mr. Labouchere gave notice of M. Castille, Venezuelan Consul at New York. | an amendment to the Address to the effect that has reported that the Governor of British the House is entitled to the information de-

PARIS, 19th February. The Crown Prince of Germany is worse. __ Communications are interrupted. LONDON, 20th February. Belgium has agreed to the abolition of Sugar

PARIS, 20th February. M. Paul Revoll has been appointed Comman. dant of Obook. The Chamber of Deputies is still engaged in public rights if the Commission considered its the discussion of the Budget.

of the Chamber of Deputies, and M. Tirard retains office. The Enquiry about the Damasons incident shows the French Consulate to have been an-

Paris, 21st February. The Budget Committee of the Chamber of the representatives of the Press were invited to Deputies proposes the reduction of the secret retire. service money allowed to the Ministry of the Interior to 800,000 francs. The Minister asks

. Cabinet one. LONDON, 21st February, Sir James Fergusson denied that the Govern. ment were taking military action with regard to Venezuela. BERLIN, 22nd February.

VIENNA, 23rd February, The weather having improved, Russia has continued the massing of troops on the Galician

LONDON, 23rd February.

Sir James Fergusson stated that the Govern ment had not entered into any agreement with Italy, and that relations with France are now excellent. Mr. Labouchere then withdrew his smendment, and the address was voted. LONDON, 24th February. The Official Messenger of St. Petersburg

states that Russia seeks to bring the Power first to declare that the Treaty of Berlin must be upheld, then to induce the Sultan to inform the Bulgarians that the rule of Prince Ferdinand is illegal, but that Russia rejects the idea of using force to restore the former status. The North German Gazette states that Ger

many will support the Russian proposal, and that the Porte is certain to acquiesce. Lord Salisbury says that war on account o Bulgaria would be a disgrace to Europe.

LONDON, 27th February. M. Nelidoff has formally invited the Porte to declare the illegality of Prince Ferdinand's lection, and M. de Radowitz and Count de LONDON, 28th February.

Her Majesty the Queen has received Prince's recovery has been abandoned: LONDON, 29th February.

The King of Abyssinia has summoned all hi subjects to extirnate the Italians. Fighting in shortly expected The negotiations between France and Italy for a treaty of Commerce have been finall

LONDON, 1st March. Austria and Hungary are negotiating for an increase in the army at the expiration of the England, replying to a circular note from

Russia, states that the Government cannot undertake to advise the Sultan of Turkey before Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company's satisfactory proposals for the future have been submitted to the Powers. LONDON, 2nd March, 1888 M. Wilson has been sentenced to two years'

> france; also to suffer deprivation of civil rights NAGASAKI, 23rd February. An extensive_fire_occurred_here_last_night which demolished about eighty Chinese and was great danger for some time that the fire fortunately there was little or no wind, and that

HONGKONG. The Fever Commission met again on the 29th ult., when, after a short discussion, it was decided to consider their report with closed doors. Company, Limited-\$11; per share, sellers. | Singb, acting sergeant in the Indian division but it was found on the other hand that it would Perak Sugar Cultivation Company-Tls. 18 per of the Police Force, shot himself through the deceased had saved money and had nearly earned his pension. He had lately, however, studied rather hard. At the inquest a verdict of suicide A fire broke out on the night of the 29th ult. quickly to the adjoining buildings, nine houses subjection. A return match at Football, Club v. 58th Regiment, was played on the 1st inst., and resulted in the Club winning by two goals to nil. The 58th Regiment held their annual Althletic Sports at Wong-nei-cheong on the 3rd inst. The first smoking concert of the season given by the Hongkong Volunteers came off on the night of the 3rd instant, and proved very successful. The Corps, owing to the exertions of Major Tripp and officers, is showing signs of renewed vitality. The steamer Huntingdon, from Calcutta, was towed into port disabled on the 4th inst. by the steamer Anchises. The Devawongse, the new steamer of the Scottish Oriental S. S. Co., arrived here from Glasgow on the 4th inst. A meeting of the Logislative Council was held on the 5th inst, at which | Rates. the Stamp Duties Amendment Ordinance, 1888. and the Trees Preservation Ordinance were read a second time, the Rating Ordinance, a long and important Bill, was read a second time, the Regulation of Chinese Ordinance, 1888, was passed, and papers relating to the question of Subsidiary Coinage were laid on the table. A very successful amateur concert was given on the night of the 5th inst. in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, in aid of the funds of the Alice Memorial Hospital and Hongkong College of Medicine. The appointment of Dr. Cantlie as Surgeon H. E. Phya Bhaskarawongse, Siamese Ambassador to the Court of Japan, and suite, arrived here on the 5th inst. from Japan by the Messa-

of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps is gazetted. geries Maritimes steamer Saghalien. The steamer Huntingdon, from Calcutta and the Straits, arrived here on the 4th inst in tow of the steamer Anchises, which picked her up disabled off the Helen Shoal at 5 p.m. on

Mesers. Lane, Crawford & Co. sold by auction on the 2nd inst., at the fountain in front of the City Hall, a number of race ponies, griffins, and hacks. Sultan fetched the highest price, \$572 Palapoosa was knocked down for \$50. Gluckauf for \$46. The Sinner and The Bud for \$41 each and Vicercy for \$21, those of the others that

were not bought in going for lower prices. A landslip occurred on the let inst, near Queen's Road West, close to where some coolies were at work, and two of the men were buried in the mass of earth which fell. The rest of the coolies immediately took flight and some time elapsed before it was known that anybody had bean so buried. The Police then immediately set to work, and after about twenty minutes the two men were dug out, but by this time life was quite extinct. There were 85 deaths in the colony during the

week ended 25th February, of which 3 were

amongst the civil section of the British and Foreign Community and 1 in the Army. The deaths from small-pox had fallen to 12. Deaths from chronic lung disease numbered 21, and from faver 10. The rate of mortality for the British and Foreign Community, civil population, was 24.3 per thousand per annum, which is the lowest recorded during the present year. For the Chinese population the rate was 23.7. We learn that arrangements have been completed for holding a Horticultural Exhibition at By permission of the public spirited owner, Mr. Dorabjee's new gardens in Robinson Road FIRE at Current Rates. will be used for the occasion, and the Band of the 58th Regiment, by permission of Colonel Anderson and officers, will be in attendance and play during the afternoon. Admission to the show will be free, and a steamer will run from Pedder's wharf to Kowloon Point and back, conveying passengers free of charge A tent will be erected and refreshments provided. It is hoped, we think with reason, that there will be a good attendance.

said it was customary among professional men to be paid immediately on proof of death, together F. P. LEITCHVIELD, Amr. bk., Young.-Chinese. hold their consultations in private, but on a pub- with a Mortnary Dividend of 50 per Cent. of all lio question of this kind he had no objection to premiums received during the 5 Year period in the representatives of the Press being present; which death may happen. There has been a heavy snewstorm in France, the matter the better, but he had no leaning one application to way or the other. Or. Canthe said he thought they would probably have to discuss individual words whether they should say "much" or "most" which might alter the sense very much; it was

usual for a jury to retire when they were considering the evidence laid before them, and he did not think it would be interfering in the least with the report in private. Dr. Jordan said he thought it . The Budget Committee has reversed the vote | was desirable the discussion should be held in private they were in the position of judges, and when two judges sat in a case they usually con- od here on or about the 19th March. sulted privately, without their discussion being made known to the public, and the result of their discussion was made known afterwards. other members of the Commission concurred and

A fire broke out in a cookshop, No. 229, Queen's Road West about 10.45 p.m. on the for 1,600,000 frames. The question will be made 29th ult. Owing to the telegraph being out of order, the slarm was not given in the Central district till close on eleven c'clock. By this time the fire had got a good hold and was spreading rapidly on either side. Three of the Government engines and the Volunteer engine at once turned out and hurried to the spot. The Government The Emperor wishes to go to San Remo, but Brigade, under the direction of Superintendent is bubysicians are using all means to dissuade Wodehouse and Assistant Superintendent Horspool, and the "Red Jackets" under Mr. Tomlin. quickly followed, and within ten minutes of here on or about the 11th instant. the alarm streams of water were being brought to bear on the burning mass. At the back of the houses runs a narrow lane, and three branches being laid up here, the firemen were enabled to attack the flames from both front and rear. Despite their efforts, however, the flames spread rapidly, and it soon became apparent that nine houses were doomed, and, the endeavours of the Brigades were directed to saving the adjoining houses and those on the opposite the men managed to gain the upper hand, more trouble in the end. and the fire was practically extinguished. The

liouses destroyed are Nos. 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 297, and 239. We understand that all of these are insured in German firms. The cause of the outbreak is at present unknown. In connection with the search for unknown | business nearer, at which delivery can be effected. causes of sickness, the following extract from a report of one of the Military doctors in Hongkong in 1865 is unpleasantly suggestive:-Having had the flooring of the men's rooms and the verandahs taken up in certain places with the view of examining into the condition of the part underneath, where I apprehended noxious matter has been accumulating to the injury of the health of the troops, I have the honour to bring to your notice the following facts as revealed by that examination. 1st. C Range, basement west, Colour-Sergeant Resside's room, occupied by himself, wife, and four children; beneath the floor three dead rats and one dead cat were found in an advanced stage of decomposition, also foul rags, tin plates, sardine boxes old boots, bottles, leakage from adjoining bath. room, decomposed wood, and a quantity of most offensive matter yielding postilential gases, which readily passed up through numerous openings in the floor, thus rendering the air of the apart. ment most impure. The consequence has been that the Sergeant is dangerously ill, his wife (who has since died) and his four children have all suffered from the same cause." Two other outbreaks of illness arising from filth beneath the floors are given, in one of which there were cases of cholera, several proving fatal. The further history of the case of Rosside's family shows imprisonment and to pay a fine of three thousand that he lost three of his children, two dving in Hongkong and another at sea, and that he him-

For other mail news see Supplement.

tinue the voyage home.

self was left invalided at the Cape unfit to con-

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THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1884. CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY. ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are pre pared to issue Policies of Insurance against Fire ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, January, 1882.

TYRANSATLANTICFIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG. -The -- Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current

SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE.—Hongkong. CAPITAL TWO MILLION DOLLARS. LAIMS PAID EXCEED RISKS accepted at CUBRENT RATES OF

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary. Hongkong, 1st September, 1887. NOTICE.

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THE MAN ON INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED. HEAD OFFICE-Hongroud. CAPITAL (Subscribed), \$1,000.000.

BOARD OF DIBECTORS,

Hongkong 16th July, 1887.

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Secretary, HEAD OFFICE, No. 2. Queen's Road West. Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY. Kowloon on Tuosday afternoon, the 13th inst. THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Com-

pany, are authorized to INSURE against GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. THE LATEST ADVANCE IN LIFE INSURANCE.

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he thought the more publicity that was given to | Prospectus and full particulars may be had on BIRLEY DALRYMPLE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1888.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ADELICAN MAIL. The P. M. steamer City of New York, with the American mail of the 14th February, left San Francisco on that date, and may be expect-

STEAMERS EXPECTED. The D. D. R. steamer Electra left, Singapore at 1 p.m. on the 29th February, and is due here on or about the 7th instant

The steamer Port Phillip left Singapore on the list, and is due here on or about the 7th inst. The N. G. I, steamer Bisagno left Singapore on the night of the 2nd, and is due here on the 9th instant

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer Titania left Singapore on the 5th, and is due here on the 12th instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Steater left Singapore on the morning of the 5th, and is due

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nst., at 5.00 p.m. For Swatow and Tientsin -- Per Peckilli, on Friday, the 9th instant $11.30~\mathrm{A.m.}$ For Swatow and Shanghai.—Per Fooksaag, on Friday, the 9th inst., at 11.39 A.M. For Saigon,—Per Clara, on Friday, the 9th inst., at 5.00 P.M. For Straits Settlements, Por Haipling, on

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Saturday, the 10th inst., at 3.30 p.m. - For Singapore - Per-Polyhymnia, on Saturday, the 10th inst, at 3.30 P.st. For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Por Thibet, on Monday, the 19th instant 3.00 c.m. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

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JOHN WILLMOTT, Hongkong Dispensary. Hongkong, 28th January, 1888. [295]		Hongkong, 2nd March, 1888 [456]	AMERICA, AND EUROPE; VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING	All Parcels must be sent to our Office as should be marked to address in full; and to same will be received by us until 5 P.M. to day previous to sailing. For information as to Passage or Freigh	te he he Holnies The Holnies Holnies J. H. Dut	MACAO. Chi. str 360 C.M. S. N. Co tot Brit. str Order	
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	TO-DAY, the 7th inst., at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BRANDAO-&-Co., Agents.	(Passing through the INLAND SEA).	allowed a discount of 10 %. This allowance does not apply to through fores from China and Japan to Europe. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-	France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic II of Steamers. First-class Fares granted as follows:— To San Francisco	Cheang H. Kian Jan. 20 Bluments Hector Jan. 20 H. Butt Jan. 1× Carter		ire Straits
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12.45 P.M. 1.00 , 12.30 P.M. 1.00 P.M. 1.30 , 2.00 , 1.30 , 2.00 ,	"CHINA," Captain P. Haye, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 7th inst., at Four P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to AH YON & Co.	NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE. STEAM FOR	pany, No. 50A, Queen's Econd Central.	of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained application: Passengers, who have paid full fare, ambarking at San Francisco for China or Jan	on Direct. Barrow Feb. 27 Borgward Vandel re- san	Dan, bk 290 H. A. Petersen &	Co °
5.25 5.40 5.25 5.40 5.40 5.40 5.40 5.600 6.00 6.15 6.00 6.15 6.30 6.45 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.00 7.0	Hongkong, 5th March, 1888. (476) OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA	ADEN. SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLES GIBRALTAR, BRINDISL,	(or vice versa) within one year, will be allow a discount of 10 %, from Return Fare. I allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe. From the will be received on board until 4.	his om Glenroy Feb. 9 Webster	SAILING VESSELS:	
Friday, on account of coaling. The above Time Table will be strictly adhered to, except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of weather, due notice will be given of any stoppages [29]	"DIOMED," Captain Bigley, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 7th March.	AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO, PORTON BAL	BOMBAY, MADRAS CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA. N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAHEN ON THROUGH	the day previous to sailing, Parcel Package will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. saiday; all Parcel Packages should be marked address in full; value of same is required. Consular Introises to accompany Ca	Tes Anglo Indian Fab. 2 Richter to G. H. Wappans Feb. 2 Engelson		
V INGTAL & COSHIP'S COMPRADORES, STEVEDORES,	For Freight or Passage, apply to RUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.	PORTS: THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS	GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM- BURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON. SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.	destined to points mayond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addres to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco For further information as to Passage	the sed Chungking Jan. 15 Hutchins and Charmers Fish 29 Gulland	Brit. atr 1658 Adamson, Bell & Brit. atr 2236 P. & O. S. N. Co	ire Co
Fresh Provisions Supplied at the Shortest Notice, No. 25, Praya Central.	TOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship "FORMOSA," Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above	N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.	"CLYDE," Captain E. M. Edmond, R.N.K., with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON via BOMBAY and	Freight, apply to the Agency of the Compa No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. C. D. HARMAN Agen Hougkong, 5th March, 1888. FOR LONDON (DIRECT.)	Clyde El Dorado Feb. 13 Edmond Payne Fungahun Ganges Hae-an Feb. 29 Stewart Dec. 14 Pattersov	Brit. str 892 Jardine, Matheson Chi. str 864 1 M. S. N. Co Brit. str 2162 P. & O. S. N. Co Chi. str 920 C. M. S. N. Co Chi. str 1099 C. M. S. N. Co	1 & CO
李發炭煤司 △泰榮 [296 NOTICE, HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.	Ports TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to	ON MONDAY, the 19th day of March, 1888, at Four P.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain A. Jaeger, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling	SUEZ CANAL, on THURSDAY, the form March, at DAYLIGHT. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 2 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.	"MABEL TAYLOR," Thos. E. Durkil, Master, will load here for above Port, and will have quick despatch.	Hacting Dec. 18 Patterson Hangehow Feb. 28 Kiang-foo Feb. 28 Kiang-kwan Feb. 25 Kiang-pian Dec. 6	Brit. str 699 Butterfield & Swi Chi. str 1468 C. M. S. N. Co Chi. str 1030 C. M. S. N. Co Chi. str 942 C. M. S. N. Co	
SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, none of the Company's Foremen should be at hand, orders for repairs if	FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship	Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 18th March, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on	Tea, Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo, General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.	For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & C Hongkong, 10th January, 1888. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.	Kûng-yung Dec. 6 Kowshing Feb. 7 Kwaog-chi Feb. 27 Nîng-po Feb. 26 Pechili Feb. 24 Bradley	Brit. str 688 C. M. S. N. Co Brit. str 762 Slemssen & Co Brit. str 203 Jardine, Matheso Dail at 254 Siemssen & Co	
sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention. In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken	will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 8th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to	and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For further Particulars, apply to	and Passage apply to the Peninsular & Oriental, Steam Navigation Company's Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are re-	"THEODOR RUGER," C. Meyer, Master, will sload here for the ab Ports, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to	Poochi Feb. 26 Ferlie Sachsen Shanghai Feb. 26 Martin Sin Nansing Feb. 28 Waddilov	Chi. str 544 C. M. S. N. Co Ger. str 4550 Melchers & Co Brit. str 11:8 Butterfield & Swi Brit. str 714 Jardine, Matheson 190 M. Mignard	1 & 00
to rectify the cause of dissatisfsction. D. GILLIES, Secretary. Hongkong, 6th August, 1885.	Hongkong, 2nd March, 1888. [460] FOR SAIGON. THE Steamship	THE "GIBB" LINE.	quired to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading, E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.	Hongkong, 19th January, 1888.	Store Nordiskt Jan. 16 Suenson Sual Taku Tongchow Tongcho	Dan. str 595 G. N. Telegraph Brit. str 608 Jardine, Matheso Brit. str 952 Butterfield & Swi	n & Co re
Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Ten- NENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & Sons. Arbroath.	will be despatched for the above Port on FRI- DAY, the 9th inst., at FIVE P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to SOY BING,	FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Taking through Cargo for Queensland Ports, Adelaide, Tahmania, New Zeatland, &c. THE British Steemer	Superintendent. Hongkong, 5th March, 1888. FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 A I. I. American, Ship	COAL MERCHANTS, have always on hand LARGE STOCKS OF EVERY DESCR. TION OF COAL. Address:—Care of Messrs. Kwong Sung &	P. Yokohama M. Feb. 27 Gall Yoritomo Maru Feb. 19 Gall Yuen Wo Feb. 21 Stessar	Jap. str 1298 Nippon Xusen Ka Jap. str 612 M. B. Kalahia Brit. str 1931 Jardine, Matheso SAILING VESSELS. Brit. sb 1589 C. & J. Trading (n & Co
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, January, 1867. 29 L. O. A. N.	PENANG.	For Freight of Passage (at \$150), apply to	"PACTOLUS," Th. Burnham, Master, shortly expected here, will load here for the above Port, and will have a quick despatch.	No. 68 PRAYA. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE	ltair Jan. 31 Munro	n Brit. 8ch 306 Mills Moller	
\$4.000 TO be advanced on lar Morroage of Landed Pro- perty in Hongkong at Current rate of interest. Address Care of Daily Press Office.	Captain Harris, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th inst., at Four P.M.	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers. Hougkong, 5th March, 1888. 485	For Freight, apply to PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, 25th February, 1888. [413] FOR SAN FRANCISCO.	Navy Boiled Long Flax Crown ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co	VESSELS EXPECTED AT HO (Corrected to Date.)	NGKONG VESSELS ARRIVE PORTS IN CHINA, JA	D HOME FROM PAN, & MANILA.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1888. 179 NOTICE. E O. B M I T	For Freight or Passage, apply to AH YON & Co. Hongkong, 5th March, 1888. 477 FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG, TIA SUEZ CANAL.	THE 3/3 L II American Ship "CENTENNIAL," T M Bearse Master will lead here for the	"GREAT ADMIRAL," J. F. Rowell, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.	BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,	at Gustav Oscar Cardiff	Nov. 29 Jason (s.) Shangi Nov. 29 Jason (s.) Manila,	ma, &cJan. 11 aiJan. 13 &cJan. 13
WINE MERCHANT, SHANGHAL AGENTS, NORTON & Co. MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.	Taking Cargo at through rates to Antwerp, Amstredam, Rotterdam, London, Lives- Pool and Bremen.) THE Steamship	For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 6th March, 1888. [492] FOR HAVRE AND LONDON.	For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, 22nd February, 1888. [394] FOR SAN FRANCISCO.	A Large Assortment of New Satsuma other Ware, Bronzes, Tea Services, Sorcons, New and Second-hand FURNITURE	&c. Louise	Dec. 22 Ningchow (s.)Yokoha Dec. 31 Transation (s.)Yokoha	ma, &cJan. 13 ma, &cJan. 13 ai, &cJan. 13
MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD. Hongkong, 1st October, 1887. 35 PORTLAND CEMENT.	"POLYHYMNIA," Captain W. Schaefer, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to	Wm Summers Master, will load here for the	"FRED. P. LITCHFIELD," Captain O. C. Young, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.	EUROPEAN GOODS. Has for Sale all Sorts of WINES, SPIRI	Restitution (s.) Liverpool Autointte New York Glamorganshire (s.) Hamburg via L Dark Philler (s.) London	Jan. 7 Nyl Ghau	ngJan 17
J. B. WHITE & RROS. SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA. HOLLIDAY WISE & Co. Hopgkong, 11th April, 1883. 2486	For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMBSEN & Co., Agenta. Hongkong, let March/1888.	For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, 2nd February, 1888.	For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, 18th February, 1888.	TEA REFINED SUGAR, &c., &c.	137 Printed and Published by	H. CHASTRETON Wilcox, Wyndian Birest,	Houghous,

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7TH, 1888.

THE SUBSIDIARY COINAGE IN HONGKONG.

The scarcity of subsidiary coins to which the Hon. A. P. MACEWEN referred the other day in the Legislative Council means not only considerable inconvenience to the community generally but in individual cases serious loss. We heard a case mentioned the other day of an establishment-which has occasion as a rule to purchase \$10 of small change per day. At present this costs them 34 cents, or at the rate of \$105 per annum, which is equivalent to the amount of the police, water, and lighting rates on a tonement of the rateable value of \$800. This high rate of premium is not constant, but I that it should be allowed to exist even for a may be to defer the completion of the ne day-argues a grave defect in the currency cossary measures for the effective defence arrangements of the colony. The Colonial the coaling stations, they will not be allowed dil how the present scarcity had arisen, that vigorous protests. Fortunately for the welthe stock of small coins had been absorbed fare of the national commerce and the produring the Julilee celebrations, when there tection of the vast interests that have grown was a large influx of visitors, and that there up in some of the scattered dependencies of was not sufficient left to meet the Chinese New | the Crown, several public men of celebrity Year demand; but the real cause was the re- and influence- have warmly taken up the Instance of the Imperial Treasury authorities | question, and intend to see the system of deto sometion a large issue. This colony has fences inaugurated in 1885 carried out in its little to thank the Imperial Treasury au- entirety and with the additions suggested by thorities for. They will not allow us to experience. Lord CARNARVON is a sincere have a sufficient supply of the extremely friend to the colonies, and fully recognises convenient dollar notes of the Hongkong the importance of securing the safety of the and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and links in the great chain of posts which conthey restrict us to an insufficient supply of hect them all round the globe with the subsidiary coinage, causing great incon- mother country. On his return to England venience and loss in the conduct of business. from Australia he will be certain to use both For an important mercantile community to voice and interest in their behalf. Lord have its currency in the condition of that of Brassey, who was a Naval Lord in the Hongkong, with its chopped dollars and GLADSTONE Ministry, after completing a carebroken eilver, its few tattered and filthy ful inspection of most of the coaling stations, -dollar notes, and its scarcity of small has just given his views on the subject before control of the home Government, which, completing the work begun. The forts, he in these matters, is always guided by the said, were all in an advanced state, but the advice of the Imperial Treasury authorities. guns had yet to arrive, and the garrisons were But something more, we think, might have wholly inadequate to man the batteries. He been done, in the way of constant in advocated the raising of native or Indian sistence, to move the home authorities troops in Ceylon and Singapore to reinforce to take a more liberal view of our the garrison, and no doubt he would make requirements; if they proved unamenable to the same suggestion with regard to Hongthe voice of reason at its first call the method kong. The other speakers included His Ret out in the parable of the unjust judge Royal Highness the Duke of CAMERIDGE VŒUX, we opine from the tenour of his re- Lord CHARLES BERESFORD, Mr. CARBUTT. marks when the subject was under discus, M.P., and Mr. John Glover. The Duke of sion in the Council, will give his serious at | CAMBRIDGE, referring to the importance of tention to it, and if he succeeds during the having effective garrisons in the coaling term of his, government in placing the cur- stations in order to set the Navy free for the rency on something like a satisfactory basis. | purpose of protecting the merchant shipping, he will confer a boon on the colony which hit the nail on the head in the following reof the community. To Sir Arthur Krn. different stations simply to protect your dollar notes, which, although so restricted in them? Why, they are of no use. What the amount authorised, have proved an enables them to go to sea? The military in this matter, in which he took a consider stations." If, however, the forts are armed with commondation at home. Perhaps Sir cases mount no guns at all, or if guns are Relief is hardly likely to come, we fear, in the the coaling stations are in a position to rely shape of an authorization to the Bank to in- on their fortifications and garrisons for their crease their issue of dollar notes, for the own protection. views of the Treasury authorities as set out | Lord Charles Berestorn joined in the recently published correspondence Lord Brassey in deprecating the employment with reference to the note issue of the Straits of obsolete guns, and remarked that experte Settlements, are clearly opposed to any in- recommended that the Government "should crease of the issuing powers of the Banks. not put any guns into those forts at all until In fact the abrogation of the power of Banks | they could put good guns in. Any frigate | to issue notes whether of large or small of modern days had a range of 5,000 yards question of time. It is impossible not to unless it were properly protected. He beld recognise the strength of the arguments in | with the experts that they should spend no favour of a Government issue, but money on obsolete guns because it took so it appears the Government is not pre- much money away from the good gun when come of the public convenience? A satis- terested. But surely the Authorities confactory solution of the question for Hong- carned have had ample time to secure the kong would be the issue of a Government | the guns and send them out. It is true that one dollar note, leaving the issue of notes of the Admiralty have been re-arming the larger denomination in the hands of the vessels of the Reet in a leisurely kind of way, Banks, as at present, until the general ques- but the War Department ought to have suction of note issues may be ripe for further cooded in arming the new batteries so soon action. The profit to the Hongkong and as they were ready to receive the ordnance. Shanghai Bank from its very limited issue What we deprecate is the extreme deliberaof dollar notes must be so small that it tion with which the Authorities proceed. would not appreciably affect its interests if Promises and assurances in abundance have it were surrendered altogether; in fact it is been given, but none of them have been mainly out of consideration for the public kept, and the colonies which have voted the convenience, rather than the profit, that money for the defences feel a natural irritaattempts to maintain the issue have been tion at the want of faith with which they made. This being so, the issue of a Govern- have been treated. Moreover there is the ment dollar note would meet a great uneasy feeling of insecurity in the meanpublic want without materially affecting any time. If a great European war broke out vested interests. Failing a dollar note, the in which England became suddenly involved

A NEW DEPARTURE.

The first of the open meetings of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council was held on Tuesday afternoon, when Hon. A. P. MACKWEN must have been grat fied to see the successful result of his efforts to secure publicity-in the consideration of the disposal of the public funds. We may also, perhaps, be allowed to express some measure of personal gratification, the reform being one which has been advocated in these columns at frequent intervals for many years past. Now that it has been secured there is little more to be said on the subject. The future historian of the colony can hardly fail to be struck with surprise on finding that these apathetic officials, but it is possible voting of public money with closed doors should have been allowed to exist so long. Only one of the matters discussed at Wed. nesday's meeting rises above the rank of minor importance. On the vote for teacher's allowance for two of the cadets, Mr. MAC-Ewen took the opportunity of asking what was being done with regard to the recommendations of the Commission which was appointed to report upon the subject of interpretation in the Courts. The Government was thereby afforded an opportunity of explaining that the matter had not been lost sight of, that the Colonial Secretary and the Treasurer had been at work upon it ever since the report was presented, and that the papers had now gone up to the Governor. The neglect with which it was supposed the report had been treated was felt to afford a been taken up by the Vicercy Lz, who has or land over which the public possessed a

undeserved. The incident affords a striking | benefits to the people and the country. At. | were looked upon as a legal appurtenance to at certain openes of the year the Emperor and imperial consent, and that, on execution days, | the revenue is certainly very satisfactory. But, lic confidence.

THE DEFENCE OF THE COALING STATIONS.

However ready the Imperial Governmen dollar notes, and its scarcity of small has just given his views on the subject before change, reflects no credit on the Govern- a meeting convened by the London Chamber great part of the social over the selfish feel- is one gentleman, or one firm, I don't remember ment. The local Government perhaps can- of Commerce, at which he strongly insisted spring. (9th.) The wretchedly poor pea- of Chinese, which caused much excitement in not be directly blamed, for it is under the on the importance of quickly and effectually sants, by having a number of trees of their the colony. The prosecution which followed still the man you leved and venerated; he has tishistic astriclatry. His aim was a working are several firms or persons who work 10 or 12, and might have been tried. Sir William Des Admiral Sir J. Commercial S will entitle him to the most sincere thanks marks :- "If your vessels are to be kept at found in the high winds which prevail over forced, Inspectors being sent round to see NEDY we are indebted for the permission to coaling stations, they cannot be at sea, and newly-planted, their roots are easily shaken At this distance from the scene we are hardthe Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to issue if they cannot be at sea, what is the use of and disturbed, and unless planted to a great by in a position to express an opinion on the its absence from Chinese society; as also the peou- greed to misplace them. M. Lafette justly con- Brigade kept up by the local insurance comimmense convenience. Sir Arthur's action armament and the military that protect those while measure of responsibility, did not meet with obsolete guns, or, as at present, in some sufficient depth, or selecting moist, solid of the Chinese population, within so short a WILLIAM DES VOIUX, being able to place shere but no men to work them, how can the and labour becomes fruitless. Few of them turbances are in themselves prima facie in evidence the experience of the years that squadron be left at liberty to protect the have passed since then and the growing vast commerce of the British Empire affoat? and, as a result, they become discouraged either present or past. Sir Cucil Smith, needs of the colony, may be more successful. At present the regrettable fact is that none of by their non-success, and giving up the who only recently assumed the government, ing to the supreme authority finds no favour thing, and the practical barbarity is the other, reap the benefits from the services of these

denomination would appear to be only a and could knock the fort into a cocked hat necessary seed trees, inform the people amongst the Chinesene sufficient explanation to take the matter in hand at they could afford it." This is sound policy, What, in the meantime, is to be and must command the approval of all innext heat thing would be a liberal supply of there would be little time then to attend to an equivalent coin to the convenient half- the completion of the defence of the coaling dollar recently issued in the Straits. Such a stations. As the Duke of CAMBRIDGE recoin would be a valuable addition to the marked :- " In former days, when we have subsidiary coinage for use as small change, | had great difficulties and wars to contend and for use in retail transactions within the | with, we have had great time and opportunicolony it would speedily displace the incon- ty to prepare. Now we have no great time venient and uncertain chopped Merican, and opportunity to prepare-no country has Besides this, it would yield a large revenue -- because over thing is conducted with to the columnal exchequer, and no fear need such enormous rapidity by the improvements be entertained of its being forced back, as of science that what may happen to-day forests would not only exercise a beneficial was the case with the over issue of the cop- may require action to-morrow; and if we are influence on the climate, but would readily fundamental basis of Chinese civilization is not per correscy referred to by the Colonial not prepared to meet what occurs from day yield a revenue, provided the taxation on the theology, and both theological and metaphysical here we think M. Lafitte both right and wrong. to day, you are sally in a dangerous and wood were not of a killing nature. But the unsatisfactory condition." His Royal Highness urged that we should be in a state of in the way of all improvement in China. La preparedness both as a guarantee against Hung-chang recognises this officially in his attack and as a means of giving confidence proclamation, for he says, in reference to the to those engaged in commerce. It is to be measures to be taken to encourage the people hoped that his utterances will have some of Chihli to engage in arboriculture, that "no Fetishism there comes, through the intermediate ject. M. Lafitte next proceeds to show the parts several small votes were considered. The sury. The importance of effectively defendprotext of inspecting and reporting the pro ing the coaling stations has, it is true, been gress of tree-cultivation, really disturb and formally and distinctly recognised, but the necessity of completing the defence works. of furnishing the armament therefor .- and

> THE VICEROY OF CHIHLI ON ARBORICULTURE.

the men to work the armament, appears not

slow-moving officials on whom devolves the

duty of providing these essential adjuncts to

Berespord and the emphatic endorsement

by the Commander-in-Chief of the resolu-

Commerce to the effect that the Government

should increase rather than relax its efforts to

whether the agitation really produces any

permanent effect on the administrative de-

tion passed by the London Chamber.

just ground of complaint against the Govern- issued a proclamation to exhort the people right of way, and the side walks had come to ment, and it is therefore satisfactory to find. of his province to cultivate trees after ap- be monopolised by the occupiers of the houses. In all parts of China, M. Lafitte tells us, we find

proof of the advantage of mublicity in the tached to the produmation are "Eight the messuage, An Ordinance was recently meetings of the Finance Committee, for that directions" and "Ten benefits." The bene- passed under which the Municipal Compublicity will not only constitute a bulwark fite, as set out in the translation of the missioners were authorised to clear the footagainst carelessness or abuses in the handling Chinese Times, are :-"(1st.) By planting, paths under the verandahs of obstructions. of the public funds, but will also afford the trees along river banks, where the soil is The enforcing of this power has been made officers of the Government more frequent loose and sandy, the banks will increase in the excuse by the rowdies of the town and opportunities of explaining what steps are height, and the roots, by their numerous their leaders to create a disturbance, which being taken to meet public domands and the ramifications, will bind and stronghthen the extended over the greater part of three days, requirements of the Public Service, and soil against the pressure of currents and crused great interruption of traffic, and for a thereby disarm suspicion and increase pub- floods. (2nd.) By covering the mountains time practically stopped all business. It was brium of wind and fluid influences. (4th.) amongst the Chinese in Singapore, which spring or summer. (5th.) An abundance of lean always be worked upon to these northern parts. When trees are that the goods were removed.

of the Viceroy Ly is cilculated to confer great that an English colony can be governed enbenefits on his province. The influence tirely in accordance with the sentiments and exercised by trees in the modification of wishes of the Chinese, but a great deal may climate has been well established by careful be done to smooth away difficulties by juobservatious, and it has been shown that they | dicious tact and explanation; by adopting lessen the risk to which any particular dis- a policy of leading rather than of driving. trick may be exposed from drought on the one band and floods on the other. To the absence of forests in Northern China must be attributed in great part the extent to which the country suffers from these calamitous' visitations. The efforts being made by Lt to introduce arboriculture are therefore worthy of the warmest commendation, But, as our Tientsin contemporary points out, arboriculture is a science whose laws cannot be promulgated by generalized rules, and it is: therefore desirable to have the assistance of ome foreign experts to instruct the people to plant the trees most suitable to soil and situs tion. At the same time a number of young Chinese might be sent to study forestry under the Forest Department of India, where we have no doubt the Indian Government would be pleased to afford them every facility. By this means a competent staff might in course of time be brought into existence sufficiently strong to provide a Forest Conservancy Departneut for each of the provinces. Allover China, in the South as well as the North, there are vast tructs of land lying idle which might

uppress the people." THE SINGAPORE RIOTS. yet fully to have penetrated the brains of the One of the Chinamen shotduring the recent riots at Singapore died from his wounds. At the inquest on the body the Coroner ema fortress. Protests from the Colonies conpannelled a jury of five Chinese, and, after cerned, reminders from Governors, denunciataking the evidence and explaining the law bearing on the subject he told them that the only thing they had to consider was that the rousing tones of Lord CHARLES whether the constable was justified in shoot. ing the deceased. The foreman, after a of short consultation with his brother jurymen said that in their opinion the constable was perfectly justified, and they accordingly re- the West with China are tainted with a mischiefrender the means of defence for ocean routes turned a verdict of justifiable homicide. Two thoroughly efficient, may stir these fossils to other Chinamen who were shot were not exmore vigorous action, if anything can pected to recover. The riots caused conquicken them. It will be interesting to note anderable interference with the working of cargo and coaling of ships, several of which suffered delay. As stated yesterday, the occasion taken advantage of for creating the disturbance was an order which had been insued by the President of the Municipal Commissioners for the clearing of the verandabs of obstructions to traffic. Verandahe in Singapore, as in Hongkong, have being distinct from heaven. (Those who are in-The important subject of arboriculture has been allowed to be erected over Crown land,

on the borders with the pine, the elm, the not the parties directly affected by the willow, etc., a large industry in timber will order who caused the riot. It would appear spring up, which will afford abundant ma- that they protested by closing their shops,

Where there is abundance of trees, rain will has at last culminated in this ebullition. he people dwell closely together, the more much under the influence of head men and rence of gods and genii, but it is undoubtedly abstraction, under which all the high intellects of contribute at all their contribution must be very trees ought to be planted, because they will secret societies, or kongaces, as they are a thoroughly engrained even if a loose form of the West have worked (which seems rather in small, because naturally the greater part of the trees ought to be planted, because they will secret societies, or kongsers, as they are absorb the carbonic hold and other notions called. Several matters have doubtless popular belief that the gods have a good deal to consistent with the above-mentioned "absurdistant with the above-mention and trees, travellers and families can find rest to interfere with the placing of Chinese, quarrel with M. Lafitte for writing down the takably entitled to very high consideration; and tribute almost nothing to the revenue. I know, and shelter in summer under their shade." graves at any and all points of the settlement Chinese as destitute of these results, if not of the dowdy West with its ungraceful street signs sir, that in mentioning these particulars The 7th is open to question. "Trees Some of the observances connected with a these qualities. That grand ideal works, after the compares very unfavourably with the pictur. I am telling my hon, friends in this and forests being plentiful, they will ob- festival called sumbayang hantu were also manner of Homer and Dante, have never wist- esqueness of Chinese street life, - which is at least Council simply what they know, and what struct the free operation of highway restricted. It has been the babit of the ted amongst them is bardly so true; for the Li half the human life. This primary fact, however, they know possibly a great deal better than I men, and banditti." We should have Chinese at this festival to lay out in the Sac, short though it is, is nevertheless an ideal he says,—this absence of abstraction,—dominates do, but as the explanations given in this chumthought that the forests would rather have streets tables spread with provisions, the work of the greatest beauty; and a further study their whole civilization, and repals great in ber are not intended entirely for those who sit afforded lurking places for the high- wealthy vying with each other in cetentawaymen, and that looked at from this lious display to such an extent that the in China neither the rulers nor subjects have ex- applies its activity to administration (P and the panies and 130 of what I have called foreign point of view they would have been a streets were completely occupied with it perienced the influence of the type of a divine be- lining of the purse). Next follows a study of insurance companies, of all kinds, fire, life, and disadvantage rather than a benefit. The 8th and for the time being ceased to serve the ing with absolute free will; and that amongst the Confucius, one of the noblest natures of whom marine. I propose to confine myself to fire insurand 9th benefits are as follow: -" (8th.) Ex- purposes of public thoroughfares. Whether Chinese, submission, really positive, leads neither Humanity can boast. The real worship of this ance companies. These 130 agencies are in the tensive forests of trees on the mountains of as a result of these or other measures it is to the oringing nor to the unruliness produced man began under the founder of the Han hands of about 30 firms or persons. That would the remote borders, will serve to absorb a impossible to say, but a murderous attack by Theologism. M. Lafitte says that we owe dynasty, and it was in 998 A.D. that the oult of give an average of four to each of these firms or own, will derive sufficient fuel for their needs proved a break down, it being impossible to only taken on another form of vitality. M. system of moral and definite duties, on the basis there is not one of these insurance agencies, exout of the branches which they can prune secure evidence, and recourse was had to Lafitte proceeds to adduce Paris, the Capital of of the spontaneous existence of human bene-cept the Straits Insurance Co., which occupies its away every year, with benefit to the trees." the banishment, under the powers vested Emancipation, where the oult of the tomb is volence, and with no regard to the selfish su- own premises or has an independent staff of its In his statement of the 10th benefit the in the Executive, of certain alien Chinese most gaining ground, as a negative proof that, pernatural sanction; in short an empirical co- own. Now, it is evident that under these circum Vicercy mentions certain descriptions of who, the Government had apparently satistical spirit, the more is the cult of the was the defect of Chinese civilization, the shape of taxes levied on rental are almost nil. trees which afford food to the silkworm. fied itself, were the instigators of or were tomb neglected. This part of M. Lafitte's sence of a sufficiently developed abstract science. Even if the gentleman who works 18 of the agen-In cold, mountainous regions, where the otherwise implicated in the affair. To see theory is not pleasant reading. We prefer to Western science; accepting the supremacy of cies debits each one with its own share of the taxes silkworm subsists merely on the leaves to their leaders or friends treated in this way believe that the inuste good taste of the French morals, will soon succeed in making clear the on the couple of rooms in which he carries on these trees, they wenve a cocoon which when | doubtless exasperated the disorderly cha- distinguishes them by a special decency concern- necessity of supplying a foundation adequate to his business it is evident the sum levied on each made into silk is much cheaper and more ractors who had requirance of the circumthe mulberry silkworm." In his prog the registration of domestic servants. The triguing cities in the world, turns out year by rior to Confusins in that he insists on the Em-1 does to Make any difference between one Come clamation the Vicercy states that in con- Chinese refused to register, under the imsequence of the general lack of tree pression, it is said, that the registration was culture, vast tracts of fertile plains are left intended as preliminary to the imposition of thereby showing that the enthusiasm of French volutionary state of the West, absolute of guiding a fair contribution to the revenue no such barren, presenting a most monotonous and a poll tax. Further friction was therefore nature is not all bad, and that their blithe and doctrine, disregard of antecedents, straining at difference would have been proposed. But uninviting appearance. "In looking for the caused, which had not subsided before the cause of this treeless barrenness, it is to be order for clearing the verandahs was en- producing the most disinterested virtues ing instability, and intellectual anarchy. Still, surance which, if I am not misinformed

depth, they cannot withstand the wind. details of the various questions we have re-Many of the peasants do not utderstand the ferred to, but on general principles we think a mandate from the Sky, which makes him re- honourable attempt to modify Chinese civiliza. That makes \$28,000 spent in the extinction and cose nature of the surface soil, and con- the policy of enforcing so many important sequently by not planting their trees to a measures calculated to run against the grain gives him a right to regulate the succession, and mine to be exploite was specially displayed in ever the cost may be of the various Chinese ground for planting, they lose their trees, time, may fairly be doubted. Popular disever study the principles of arboriculture, evidence of defects in the Government, of the various rivers and streams in Chihli more important to know how to avoid giving and protecting the embankments." The majutaining firm government than to know prefectures, and districts of Chihli are is alleged that in the introduction of the instructed that they must procure the measures which have caused discontent in their respective jurisdictions of the was given of the intentions of the Govern-Eight directions" and "Ten benefits," and ment. This is a mistake that may always adopt measures to encourage the people in be avoided, and in Hongkong we think the industry. This movement on the part | generally is. It is of course impossible

REVIEW.

General View of Chinese Civilization From by John Carry Hall, M.A., H. M. Legation,

is the Director of Positivism, and he holds that Fetishism and Positivism are the only two completely normal states that can last and hold together untroubled by instability which inseparably attaches to the theological state. After | Chinese contemporaneous writings upon the subtural phenomena, with that mental power of whose conception of progress is as absurd as i steadiness and grandeur truly admirable; the study of it is important, in that the relations of making immorality. The mental basis of Chinese civilization is Fetishiam, systematised by the warship of the Sky. The worship of the spirits of the dead is there highly developed by Latitte (like all others who have discussed

question, from the Emperor K'ang-hi and the

Popes down to Canon McClatchie), raises the

"term question" by disputing M. Remusat's

dictum that the Chinese do not worship the

visible heaven, and asserting that the Chinese.

when they say Tien-chu do not conceive of a

terested in this question will find it fully dis-

cussed in Dr. Williams's Middle Kingdom)

China's second Fetish is the Earth, allied to

which is the worship of rivers, mountains, &c.

the Mandarins perform official acts of worship fasting should be observed. Printing, M. sir, there was one problem before those who thereto, each department being officially re- Lufitte says, was invented about A.D. 931 under | made the revision of 1886, to which I have alluded quired to have, besides its local temples, a num- the later T'ang Emperors (it was invented by which seemed to defy a solution at the time and ber of alters dedicated to the Earth, thunder, the Turkish Emperor Li Sz-yuan of the which has not met with a satisfactory solution rain, &c.; to the succession of Emperors who lefter Tang dynasty in A.D. 932) by Fung since. I mean the obtaining of some sort of have governed China; to virtuous people, &c., Tao (who served the Tain, Turkish, and contribution to the revenue from those insurance mental basis Fetishism, systematized by the is not mentioned in the ordinary history book as only the agencies of insurance_companies es-

the Emperor who can worship Heaven and M. Lafitta goes on, through the Sungs, Yuans, and every light, and the leading managers of in-Earth, and it is only at Peking that there are al. Mings down to modern times. Foreign trade surance business here were taken into consultatars to Heaven and Earth, and to the princes of has done China more harm than good (but the tion, but no method was arrived at by which post dynasties. Still, the local t'u-timiae, ch'eng-translator justly adds that these words were a fair contribution on the business carried hwang miae, and temples where the reigning written 25 years ago). M. Lafitte answers the on by the insurance companies could be obterial for house-building and other purposes. but there the matter ended so far as they Emperor's tablet is worshipped sufficiently bear question which the local Asiatic Society recently tained. The only suggestion made was to out the general principle. Another alleged challenged to solve. The admirable institution of obtain returns of business from these agencies, farms, they will serve to absorb the super- For some time past there appears to recteristic, the absence of myths in the system ancester cult, allied to the ideal normal state of and I need hardly say at this time that returns fluous moisture, and preserve a just equili- have been a growing feeling of discontent of Chinese thinkers is decidedly doubtful. the human family, is conspicuous for its contin- of business are not altogether a popular or per-Chwang-tsz is a marked exception to any such uity, and to develop it is the best way to assure haps desirable means of obtaining data or which rule in higher literature, whilst the Fox Myths, true progress by developing what is organic. It to obtain revenue, especially when the man who to which Mr. Watters has called attention, testi- is in the conjugal relations that Chinese inferio. makes those returns is to be taxed on those re-Trensurer explained in the Logislative Coun- to postpone them indefinitely without be plentiful, and no droughts will occur in on the same groove. rity is manifested, and the consequence of excess turns. Now, when I say the whole abnual reget It is true as M. Lafitte save that Confucius and sive Fetishism is that China has been deprived | venue on policies of insurance is under \$8,000, it trees can also ward off epidemics; and whore up a row, especially Chinese, who are so Menciustake no account of the arbitrary interfer of enc of the grandest creations of Humanity, will be seen that even if these insurance agencies

> of the as yet barely touched Chinese belles lettres | tellects (of which how many had appeared in | round the table, I may state that there are doing may reveal more. It is perhaps quite true that China in 1860?). Hence the enlightened class business in this colony 9 local insurance com-

> ing, and reverence for, the dead, just as Paris, allow of China's at last instituting a lasting must be so small as to be practically inappreciyear a larger number of self-denying mission. percr's ceasing to have the right when he ceases pany and another, and if any means could have aries, fearless philosophers, and gentle sisters-of- to have the power to govern. As regards been suggested by which the business carried on mercy than any other town in Christendom; | Westernrelations, one incontestable fact is there- by these agencies could have been got at to obtain

> side by side with the most sordid of the relations of the West with the rost of the do make it desirable to establish some different vices. M. Lafitte "touches the thing with his world were as indispensable as inevitable. The duty. I need not remind the council that the needle" when he goes on to say that the absence first duty of the Positive Faith will be to Government Fire Brigade costs us \$18,000 per alike of caste and caste spirit is prominent by regulate those relations, and not allow ignoble annum. There is a very efficient Volunteer Fire liar idea that the Emperor governs in virtue of codes to the Jesuits the only serious and panies which costs about \$10,000, I am told sponsible for both cosmical and so in disorder; tion; and the disposition to regard. China as a prevention of fires, to which must be added whatupsets himself and his dynasty if he does not | the shameful opium war (for which, however, as | brigades which are kept up and which do more govern according to Heaven's law. The ab- has been lately shown, the Chinese very fairly or less good service. To the Volunteer Fire sence of caste generates a feeling of independ. take helf the blame). M. Lafitte consures the Brigade the Foreign Insurance Companies do ence, universal industry, and a respect for pro- narrow English spirit which destroyed the not contribute at all, and I have shown they perty. But it is open to question whether it is honourable custom of Suttee in India: (but here contribute hardly anything at all to the cost of

true that the theoretic notion of the soil belong- we must object that the ideal custom is one the Government Fire Brigade, and yet they industry altogether, they allow the rich has been blamed by the Straits Times for not there; indeed, we think that though in practice just as pining to death from grief is one thing brigades in getting very good risks. The exeralluvial lands to lie unutilized. The Vicercy having exercised sufficient firmness in con- family rights are as deeply rooted as anywhere, and cowardly suicide is the other). M. Lafitte tions of the Government. Volunteer, and has in recent years given orders for the nection with the late riots. Possibly there it will be found that the theory of the Em- consures the revolutionary jargon" of the Rev. Chinese fire brigades have made Hongkong with plantation of willow trees along the banks may be some cause for blame, but it is even peror's ownership of every yard of land and even W. Milne in his "Real Life in China," a man fairly safe against fire. Hongkong risks are felt many a Chinese proverb. In China the Family effects which his proselytising chemicals were contributing nothing to the fund which provides as a prudential measure for strengthening occasion for riots while at the same time is the essential basis of society, and government bound to produce in China. The only notion for the safety by which all benefit, come in here is constructed on the type of the Family. The of prevailing Western progress he thinks is how and collect premis which are estimated at \$500,000 authorities of the various prefectures, sub- how to suppress them when they occur. It paternal character of the to produce much and consume more; and Eng- a year. And in addition to this there has been Emperor, and M. Lafitte think this is incontest- land is the completest development of this spirit, an uneasy feeling, whether well founded or not ably superior to the governmental type of theolo- which opens up by any and every means, fair I am not prepared to say, that a good deal of gical societies which is borrowed from the God- or foul, outlets for trade. Despite some stupid reckless insurance without proper enquiry and head. Hence also comes a fundamental tendency | prejudices, Chinese civilization enables one-third | a-good deal of reckless payment of claims, also towards a pacific régime. The Chinese, as M. of mankind to live respectable lives, in many without much enquiry, has tended to the spread Latitue truly points out, are by no means ways preferable to those of the Western working of an incendiarism which certainly has existed animated by an innate feeling of hatred to for- classes; and it is for the west to solve the pro- among the Chinese. I do not say, sir, eigners, though they are rightly on their guard; blem of its own moral organization, until which for one moment, that it is so, but I do for hitherto they have the somewhat severely time the Chinese must regard the west with say that this agency system suggests the adds) had no occasion to regard them as any laversion, and shrink from premature change. thing more than veritable barbarians pursuing | The above imperfect summary of this excellent sion whether the property is burnt down profit by any possible means. Theological in book sufficiently shows the line of thought as for not—the agency system does suggest the refluence, he goes on to say, has been more developed in a Positivist. Another way of looking flection that it is extremely likely that such a troublesome than useful to the Chinese; and to at it is this, and this is the view of the Humanist, state of things may lead to a condition such as

visited with such a pestilence. The Chinese grief, sickness, and the discomforts of nature. panies. In other words, that the foreign Comsystem was first invaded by Taoism, a full-blown | The Chinese have worked this out in their way, | panies profit by kindling fires which the local metaphysical system which M. Lafitte calls, with and we have in ours, both having gradually de- Companies pay for extinguishing. And, sir, its contempt for antecedents, a diseased stage of veloped the first absolutely necessary principle when our local Companies go elsewhere they. human reason. Lac-tsz is evidently of foreign of security of life and property into a high state are heavily taxed. I will take one case. One origin; probably his philosophy is a Hindon im- of civilization. Why one result should be grand of our Companies goes to Bombay and has portation. M. Listite rather underestimates more than the other, it is difficult to see, unless to pay for municipal rates 979 rupees, and for This is one of those books which are appreathe official influence of Taoism in China; for, we look to results. There are sorry spectacles income tax 417 rupees; it goes to Madras and ciated highly, or not at all, according to the during the Tang dynasty, the conflict of Taoism on both sides, and there are many points deserve pays for profession tax 25 rupees, for municipal class of mind which governs the reader. Mr. with Buddhism led to as many and frequent ling of respect in each. China is certainly show- rates 150 rupees, and an income tax the amount Hall's share in the work is a very important changes at Court as during the see-sawing times ling a spontaneous tendency to file herself down of which I don't know; it goes to Calcutta and one; for, unless some one had been found de- of our Tudors and Stuarts; and, even as late as by Western contact, and Chinese populations are has to take out a licence which costs one hundred voted enough to fill the rôle of translator, it is the 12th century, the Tacist cult received the found very desirable substitutes for Westerns in rupses, it pays an income tax of 120 rupses; it certain that at least a quarter of the reading fillip of Court recognition. It is rather startling, many Western colonies and states. Whether goes to Manila and an income tax of five per world would not have been present as audience, if it is true, to read that Ts'in Shi-hway pro- Fetichism or Theologism be at the bottom of it, cent. on its profits is charged on it. All these The work reads smoothly and intelligibly in teeted the doctrine; he was undoubtedly of a there we are. A Positivist may have positive charges in addition to stamps on policies. English, despite the profound and abstract na. superstitious frame of mind, and of a obstract opinions; but, anyhow, he was suckled on Theolo- Well, it may be said, sir, these are fixed ture of the subject; from which it is only real totally different from any Chinese ruler who gism, and might have been equally well produced duties which are imposed on every Company sonable to infer that Mr. Hall has acquitted him. had preceded him. There is some ground to from Fetishism. So let us all do the best we alike. Well, it would be possible to impose self of his task in an unexceptionable manner. It | surmise that he must have been a foreigner; and | can. would be rather difficult to convey to the Chi- if it is true that his mind was affected by Tuoist nese in their own language a clear realization of | mysticism, M. Lafitte opens a very interesting the conclusion to which M. Lafitte comes, that field of enquiry. Buddhism was introduced, ac-"the main defect of their civilization is the absence | cording to M. Lafitte, 65 years before Christ, of the social institution of scientific abstraction, and—which is more than can be said for Taoism whence results the absence of sufficient gene though despised as a rule by the literati, it at ralization and the impossibility of true mental least introduced with it some knowledge of systematization." According to M. Lufitte the astronomy and mathematics. The influence of Catholicism has been but very secondary; and development are foreign and disturbing, or at Catholicism had a great hold on the minds of the greed of officialdom is a serious impediment least only modifying elements in it. M. Laftte later Ming and earlier Manchu Courts; and, if it has not seized hold of as many individuals as

Buddhism, it has, at least indirectly, exercised

very disturbing influence upon the popular mind.

as will be clearly seen by parasal of important

and, M. Lafitte says, we are at once struck with | two chief forces, -have played in the evolution the profound mental consistency of Fetishism; of Chinese civilization, and proceeds to demolish as compared with the inevitable instability of the theory of Chinese immobility, which, he the second stage of human reason—Polytheism. shows, starting low, has gradually developed on Positivism is of course the last and most perfect one line. This grand feature, he says, is an adstage, combining the synthetic qualities of Fetish. | mirable title to the respect of every true philoism, which looks at the interdependencies of na. sopher not misguided by Western snarchy. abstraction or mind exercise that supplies the is immoral. He divides Chinese history into two systematization so impossible to Theologism, evolutionary periods, 2500 B.C. till 200 B.C. which resorts to the artifice of finding gods to the period of foundation; and 200 B.C. to the represent phenomena. Since the end of the last present time,-the period of development. Chicentury, as Theologism loosens its hold on the nese historians have laudably sought to prove a intellect, cultivated minds in Westerndom (a unity from the beginning which, in fact, is only "Papers relating to the importation of sub-Chinese term which M. Lafitte prefers to a development from germs. The phenomenon sidiary coins," and in doing so said he would like Christendom) are tending to turn back towards up to Confucius's time was the development by a to explain with regard to the last page, on which Fetishism Chinese civilization is Fetishistic congerie of states of the above-described it was stated that the profit was 8 per cent. to the core, and has developed itself with a astrolatric civilization. He truly points out while he stated on a previous occasion that it that the Mongol and Manchu conquests, (to | was only 5, that the report to which he was alwhich he might have added the Soythian, luding was made up to 1878 only. The present Tungusio, Tibetan, Turkish, Kitan, and Nuchen one was made up to 1836. When made up to conquests of different durations) amount to little | 1878 the average profit was only 5 per cent. more than mounting guard, (very much like our THE STAMP DUTIES AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, panies was disapproved of on the very ground occupation of India). The literati failed to understand Shi Hwang ti's policy of protecting the empire against attacks from without; and it move the second reading of a Bill entitled the but after very serious consideration of the matwas the Taoist metaphysicians' contempt for Stamp Duties Amendment Ordinance, 1888. I ter and taking the views of my hon. friend Mr. the past which secured his partizanship of their imagine, sir, that every member of this Council Lister and others who have considered the sub-Reason. (a point, we think, unduly strained by is aware that since the original Stamp Ordinance | ject, and under all the local circumstances, I conbesides building the wall, invented the modern several revisions of the tariff in that Ordinance not without hope, by stronger representations pencil-brush. Glancing at the wars and peaceful developments of the Han dynasty, M. Lafitte duties leviable under that tariff more equitably State to change his view also. Of course in next comes to the literary and competitive scho- among the different classes of the community. some cases it would be more convenient to obtain lastic development of the Tangs. We rather Now. sir, the last revision, which was made in his final decision before passing this Ordinance,

Hence, Chinese civilization has for its Kitan dynasties, was unfaithful to all, and agencies which are not registered here but are

worship of the Sky and the Earth. M. Lufitte the inventor of printing). Movable types were tablished elsewhere. That matter met with the seems a little out in detail here, for it is only invented (f by whom) in the 11th century. Thus most careful consideration and was looked at in spontaneously originates mones. The corpse is ings. Confucius aimed at perfecting the feet which, who works 18 of these agencies. There

warm temperament has the peculiarity of ter the future, disunity of opinion, ever increas- there are considerations as to fire in-

use (as. M. Lafitte does) the energetic language [From all time the sole object of man has been to I have described under which the local Companies of a Chinese philosopher on this topic, it would be happy: that is, to have cakes and ale, to gra- | pay heavily for extinguishing fires which are have been better if the country had never been tify natural appetites, be free from pain and kindled indirectly by means of the foreign Com-

> *Hongkong legislative council* The Legislative Council met on the 5th inst. on all these companies would be a clumsy and There were present .-His Excellency the Governor, Sir Wil-LIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.

Hon. F. STEWART, LL.D., Colonial Secretary. Hon. E. L. O' MALLEY, Attorney-General. HON. A. LISTER, Colonial Tressurer. Hon. J. M. PRICE, Surveyor-General. Hon. H. G. THOMSETT, R.N., Harbour Master.

Hon. J. RUSSELL, C.M.G., Acting Chief

Hon. Wong Shing. Hon. A. P. MACEWEN. Hon. J. BELL-IRVING. Hon. C. P. CHATER.

and confirmed.

FINANCE. The COLONIAL SECRETARY presented report of the proceedings of the Finance ommittee at a meeting held on the 28th February, and moved that the votes therein recommended receive legislative sanction.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read

THE SUBSIDIARY COINAGE. The Colonial Secretary laid on the table

Lafitte). During his reign, Meng Tien, was passed twenty-two years ago, there have been fees my view has been entirely altered, and I am' made with a view of distributing the stamp on the subject, of inducing the Secretary of think he is mistaken in saying that Tang Tai. 1886, has been a great success. We have not but it is unlikely that any decision can be artsung ordained that Emperors should fast three had, since that revision was made, those com- rived at before the time when this Council is days before confirming sentence of death. Moved plaints of inequalities and anomalies in the usually in recess. For that reason I thought it

reflection—the gentlemen collect the commis-

a wholesale sum, a fixed sum on each one of these agencies, but it would be extremely inequitable. One man does much business, lanother does little, another perhaps hardly any at all, and to impose a hard and fast contribution inequitable mode of procedure, whereas a differential stamp on policies gets at once and exactly at the amount of business done and charges only on that. It seems to me, sir, there is no other way of meeting the case. Of course this proposal is unfortunate enough to have a label ready prepared for it, which will be immediately affixed to it, by those who object to it We will be told this is protection pure and simple. The epithet is there ready to be flung and no doubt it will be flung. Well, it may be protection, but it is protection against fire. We have no wish to handicap or approx these agencies because they are outsiders, but we do wish they should contribute fairly and equitably to the protection from fire which all alike need. Perhaps everyone at this table except your Excellency remembers that disastrous day, the 26th December, 1878. Those who do remember it don't wish to see another day like that and whilst I won't say we are running the risk of such a day, it must be plain that the state of things I have attempted to describe is tend-

The COLONIAL BECRETARY seconded His Excellency—I think it only right to say hat an Ordinance, if not precisely the same, very similar to this, was forwarded to England before my arrival here, for the consideration of the Sepretary of tate, but since my arrival here I have received a despatch in which, on the suggestion of the Board of Trade, the principle of discriminating between local and outside comthat it was a protective measure. I confess the The COLONIAL TREASURER—Sir. I beg to same view of it struck me when I first read it by remorse, what he did was to ordain that three Stamp tariff which used to be made before; best, and it can do no possible harm, to pass the that the blame which had been imputed was proved methods, with the view of securing for the purposes of their business, until they alters dedicated to the Sky and the Earth, and separate applications should be made for the in fact it has worked, I may say, admirably, and measure, partly with a view of showing the Se-

ing in that direction. There are other things

in the Bill, but they refer to matters of detail, and

I propose to explain them when we go into Com-

24.000.00

19,000.00

\$100,000,00

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

ASSETS.

oralusef Kowloon property.

Bub-section II...... 875,000.00

fees for transfer of properties 4,574.87

Kowloon Marine Lot No. 21A. 80,250,00

fore for transfer of property. 383.10

per articles of association

Sub-section III.

Sub-section IV.

To amount expended on exten-sion of godown and rolling stock required for third what

of third wharf and on exten-sion of two original wharves.

Fostamp duty legal expenses and

To amount paid P. & O. Property.

Tostampduty legal expende and

o value of West Point property

an per articles of association

Loss amount received for sale of godowns cash \$125,000,

West Point Property.

mortgage \$875,000

To stamp duty, legal expenses,

fees for transfer of property

West Point P. & O. Property.

o amount paid P. & O. Com-

To etamp duty, legal expenses,

To cash in hand

o interest

fees for transfer of property,

pany, for wharf and buildings

on Marine Lot No. 71...... 300,000.00

To mortgage account, balance of sale price

To coal for launches, value of coal on hand

To farniture and stores account

By Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Cor-

By balance of working account

To wages of permanent foreign and native

staff, and coolie hire.....

To charges account, office rent, stationery,

To fire insurance

o claims......

at 6 per cent. per annum 11,250.00

\$125,000 at 7 per cent. 4,375.00

By wharfage, warehouse, rent and landing

By commission on kerosene godowns

oxpenses 147,886.94

By gain on resals of Wandering Minstrel ... 1,800.00

LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to

the shareholders at the annual general meeting,

to be held at the offices of the General Agents, at

The General Agents beg to submit to the share-

holders their report on the working of the refinerics,

During the period under review the company's

stablishments.at East Point and Bowrington have

been well employed, and the General Agents are

pleased to report that the working account for the

Inclusive of \$13,781,53 brought forward from last

recommend that the nett profit should be appropriate

Outstanding shipments are light and the estimated

proceeds will, it is expected, fully cover the amount

Generally speaking the consuming markets have.

during the year, been fairly schive, and the products

of the company have met with ready acceptance.

At East Point work has been carried on through-

ont the year, and the demand having kept up it was

considered advisable not to undertake the usual over-

Refining was stopped at Bewrington for a short

The conditions of the sugar trade prevented work

from being resumed at Swatow with any prospect of

PROPERTY ACCOUNT. This has been increased by a cost of a new godown

at East Point and some new machinery at East Point

The increase of \$600,000 referred to in the last re-

port was readily taken up, and the total amount now

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

During the year Messra. F. D. Sassoon, A. Molver,

Colony and Messrs. B. Layton and St. C. Michaelson

lave been invited to join the Board. The re-election

In the absence of Messrs. Thomas Arnold and H

Fullarton Henderson and A. W. Maitland. Mesars.

Arnold and Maitland a e recommended for re-election

BALANCE SHEET-ONE YEAR-TO BIST DEC., 1887.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

Spirits and rum 4,919,69 Coals, charcoal, stores, fire insurance, &c. 170,496.67

PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

d. Bevie the accounts have been addited by Messra.

time in the Summer and advantage was taken of the

occasion to introduce some further improvements.

Interim dividend of \$6 per share paid on

Carry forward to next account.....

haul before the 18th of February.

for abortly.

paid up is \$1,500,000.

J. B. Elias is recommended.

Property account, consisting of :-

Less, interim dividend paid

on Sist August, 1887, at 6

To paid for additions to machinery, &c.,

at East Point and Bowrington

East Point refinery.....

Swatow refinery

Bowrington refinery

Wanchai property

Hongkong distillery

Longkong and Shanghai Bank

lefined sugar, 20.

noon, on Saturday, the 10th inst :---

ISAAC HUGHES, Secretary.

.... 76,429.84

fo rent of West Point godowne

for six months to 31st Decem-

ber, 1837, at \$3,000 per month

Less interest on portion of sale

price under mortgage \$375,000

Interest on cash portion of Do.

(paying to purchasers)

To Crown rent and taxes

DECEMBER, 1837.

of West Po'nt property under mortgage:

and brokerage on sale, &c. .

Sub-section V.

subject, and partly that we may not less another to claim for empty rooms. They will even in tens of thousands of dollars escape? As I said year in case I am fortunate enough to obtain a some circumstances go as high as thirty per before, I hope the Ordinance will be discussed change of views on his part. I think it only right cont. We propose here to limit it to twenty or not in the light only of anything that has to mention this to explain that though the Council twenty-five per cent. In definition 9 a very happened to day, but of the principles arrived at not a very great one, because the arguments in It may be said there is not much difficulty in second reading. favour of the measure are very strong, of its being deciding whether a house is empty or not. disallowed. Lung-say one reason why I think the I am serry to say there is a difficulty. Every view may be altered is that the Board of Trade one whose house is not letting for as much as he suggests the same end may be obtained by an all thinks it ought to considers it empty. In Committee to-day, but in view of the importance sidered that thoroughly, and I find it out of the Peak district, which Lwill call the hill district, bors becoming acquainted with its provisions, pleasure on the subject is known.

Schedule to Ordinance 16 of 1886. PULICY ON RISK NOTE OF INSURANCE, FOR EL

COPY AND EVERY RENEWAL. (i) Marine or Life Insurance...10 cents. (ii) Fire Insurance :-

If issued by a company re- } 10 conts. gistered in the colony If issued by any other come. pany or person, to be charged on the premium)

part thereof. The section was passed without discussion.

got rid of. I am responsible for it. Under the letter of the be a little dilatory, and to drag them before existing law a document simply sent here to be the Police Court would raise a storm of public signed, a conveyance or power of attorney rela- indignation. I propose to abolish this penalty, ting to property in London, say, is liable to which has been a dead letter, and provide instead stamp duty. It does seem hard that a document that the owner who fails to send in his return sont here simply to be signed because the per- within the extended time-he gets ten days in-

concern in any way.

The Section was passed nom. con. 1886, the owner may be allowed to retain pos- chargeableon the assessment. By an extraordinary session of it; the COLONIAL TREASURER said-This also is a new section. I find there is stated on what the percentages should be paid,

bit containing the stamp, and hand him the in Victoria have pointed out that this stamp is so impressed as to trench on the writing, and cases have happened in which people have begged very hard to have the document back again unmutilated. To meet that it is proposed to stamp with indelible ink the word "caucelled" across the stamp.

The clause was carried nem. con. The COLONIAL TREASURER gave notice that at the next meeting of the Connoil he would move the third reading of the Bill. THE TREES PRESERVATION ORDINANCE.

This Bill was read a second time and passed through Committee with some verbalamendments. The Attorney-General gave notice that at the next meeting he would move the third reading of the Bill.

THE RATING ORDINANCE. Rating Ordinance, 1888. It is a long and implications to the Governor for exemption on Suspense Account (amount disbursed in a future occasion. It would be an ungracious after that. Section 40, which relates to house task to detain this Council too long to explain numbering, is brought in from an old Ordinance. of every working difficulty that has occurred in Ordinance, I would just say this. Property is To Charges the practical rating and collection of rates in certainly abundantly represented on this Coun-

an attempt to provide for all those difficult possibly four of the members, of whom your ties which have occurred. I need hardly say Excellency is one, who are not more or less that in an Ordinance of this kind the defini- interested in house property; therefore it cannot tion clause is perhaps of more importance than be said property has any lack of representation the whole of the rest of the Ordinance. The on the Council. Now, I would ask my hon. been the subject of continual litigation in Eng- look at it simply as the question of a day but the whole of that time the courts have been sible that shall hold good for, say, ten years, Hongkong, 29th March, 1888. has been made to establish a rateable value, as assessment of a large township like this, to avoid successful will at once put an end to a very corns have been trampled on, it has been subdivision of property. Amanbuilta house which only on members of this Council but on all pro- pany, Pedder's Street, to-morrow, the 8th instant,

different entrances. One part was occupied, one desire to "let my lot of godowns, or my row empty, but the Government could not in common of houses, or my pier escape, and get into prudenceallow him a refund of rates on the unoc- corner, and get off free without any rating cupied portion, because when you consider the or a lesser rating than other people" is not sections the size of packing cases, you see at | misanderstood in a remark I made on a previous | from which have to be deducted once it would be impossible to allow a Chinese occasion. When I said I desired to extend the basis owner any refund on the unoccupied part of his of taxation as much as possible, I was understood house. By establishing a rateable value in which | allowance is made for portions of the house which may not be occupied during the year, where the That was not my meaning. I meant that I wanted Out of this sum the directors propose to pay a divihouse is let off in rooms or flats, the owner will not [be allowed to claim a refund of rates on the empty which they could be made applicable, so that there preliminary expenses, and to carry forward the balduction at the commencement of the year if duction at the commencement of the year if rates and others paying proportionately higher | Upon it becoming known to the directors that the there seems to be any probability that one nat or | rates. Having extended the area it may room will be empty to any considerable extent possible to reduce the percentage. I believe this of the Sailors' Home for the construction of a new during the year.

be under this Ordinance.

sible to investigate it.

that difficulty in this Ordinance? make a fair allowance. He would value the that all these failures of rating were simply inhouse up to its highest value; he would call justice to other persons. We were told we upon the owner to show his books, and he would ought not to rate piers. Perhaps not, when they see how many times in the past year that room were little jettles twenty or thirty feet long, but andited the accounts now presented. Means, G. S. or series of rooms had been yearnt, and judging having assumed their present proportions Coxon and T. I. Rose are recommended for re-election. from that he would throw him off a certain amount, why should they escape? If there is any. In London the vestries will reduce a rental by thing unfair let us know what it is,

I say I have hopes of being able to induce Her of either, or where two buildings are jumbled convince him that his view is an incorrect one Majesty's Government to look upon it in another together so that it is impossible to separate before we come into Council. Very often perfectlight. This will explain the suspending clause thom, part of one protruding over or into the ly goodobjections are started that take the Goat the end of the Ordinance. The Ordinance other. In section 5 provision is made by vernment by surprise, which possibly might be will not come into force until Her Majesty's which owners of large properties who occu- allowed to stand as good objections if any notice py their own property can obtain an exten- had been given. I think it possibly might save The second reading of the Bill was carried sion of time for making their returns. Only time if that course were pursued on this occasion. seven days was allowed under the old Ordinance. Of course it may happen that no agreement can The Council then went into Committee on but here he may obtain an extension of time not be arrived at, but I have known cases where it exceeding twenty-eight days. The owner of a has been arrived at and a great deal of time has The first section substitutes the following for large number of houses is also allowed to apply for been saved. the duty payable under the 29th Article of the an extension of time. In Section 10 tampering THE REGULATION OF CHINESE ORDINANCE. with the assessment list is forbidden. There is at present no provision whatever of that kind, passed. and it is quite possible a clerk might take upon himself to alter it, to diminish the entries

in the book or add to them entirely out of his instant. own head. Any alteration without, the Sto Governor's authority is forbidden. In section or part thereof up to 15 the whole procedure as to appeal is \$100 and \$5 on every simplified. The appellant gets more time. Sind or and yet by a simpler arrangement the appenls are disposed of more quickly. In Sec-With reference to Sections 2 and 3, which re- peal within a month. At present he can keep it holders, to be held at the Company's Hotel, tofor to the duty on Bills of Exchange in transit hanging over indefinitely, and it is inconvenient day next, at 3.30 p.m.: and confirmatory assignments, the COLONIAL to have the whole book hung up indefinitely be-TREASURER explained that these provisions were | cause one dilatory man does not get his case | diation, the directors have new to submit to you their already law by virtue of Orders in Council, but it finished. In Sections 20 and 21 an important half-yearly report for the six months ending 31st Dehad been thought convenient to embody them change is introduced. There is an existing comber, 1881. in this Bill, so that there should be only two nenalty of \$100 for delay of sending in roturns authoritative documents, the Ordinance of 1886 of value. This has never been enforced and and the present one, and the Orders in Council practically it would be impossible. We would to the Hotel. have to be perpetually dragging up people to the With reference to Section 4, which provides that Police Court. No one sends it in within a week, documents merely sent to the colony for signature | the general rule is to send it in in two months or shall be exempt from duty, the Colonian TREA- three months. I need not say there are many SURER said-This section is entirely new, and people in this colony, excellent people, who may

son is resilling here should be subject to stamp stead of seven and may apply for an extensionduty. It is for the Council to decide whether that the owner who does not send in his returns the exemption should be allowed or not. The cases within the proper time simply loses his right are very rare, but they do occur, three or four of appeal. He may delay, procustinate, or times perhaps in a year. Documents are sent dawdle as much as he likes, but if he does not here to be signed with which this Colony has no send in his return at all within the proper time the assessor will make the valuation and the owner will find be has lost the right of appeal. With reference to Section 5, which provides In Sections 23 to 27 the procedure as to interim that when a spoiled stamp is delivered to the valuations and appeals against them is much Collector under Section 12 of Ordinance 16 of simplified. In Section 28 the rates are made

similar provision at home. The ordinary course | Section 29 deals with the question of piers, sometimes happens that the owner of the stamp are situated. The present practice is to charge as follow: begs to have the document back again. In that piers in Victoria thirteen per cent. and piers To pay a dividend of 4 per cent. for the 6 case the ordinary course is to cut out the elsewhere seven per cent. The owners of piers remainder, but it may happen that there is handicaps them very considerably as compared writing on the back of the stomp or that the with the rating of piers at Kowloon, and that a pier does not require much protection from fire. it does not obtain very much benefit from the water works, it does not obtain any great share of public lighting, and that therefore the Fire Brigade, water, and lighting rates should not be charged. To meet this difficulty it is proposed to charge all piers, wherever

situated, seven per gent. Section 30 is new, and it is a section about which I have some doubts. It proposes to encourage building in newly opened districts by temporarily charging such Hotel Property on Marine Lot No. 5, and districts lower rates on the houses built. It is an experiment, and as I have said I have my doubts about it. By Sections 35 and 36 the provisions as to obtaining refunds of rates on tenements in the Cash bill districts are much simplified. Section 38 | Shares in Public Companies..... deals with exemptions. These I propose to leave | Sundry Debtors.................. The Colonial Treasurer-Sir, I have to lover until we go into Committee. Section 39 is Stock of Wines and Provisions move the second reading of a Bill entitled the new, and is intended to get rid of continual apportant Ordinance. I don't think it will be grounds not contemplified in the law. It is pro- compensation and Legal Expenses in conpossible to do more this afternoon than briefly posed to put all the exemptions in the law and not explain its provisions and go into Committee on allow any promiscuous or occasional exemptions

how the rating machinery of the Colony nearly The assessor is the proper person to maintain broke down entirely some five or six years ago. the numbering. It has been much neglected. The causes were very numerous. The machinery In Victoria it has been very bad, and in the vil- Sundry Creditors for rating over twenty years ago was a very lages almost non-existent. It is proposed to Arbitration Account, as per award in the makeshift kind of affair, and it always has been put the whole thing into the hands of the assesso. It is true that in 1885 we passed an sor, and Sections 40 and 41 have been drafted for amending Ordinance, but that was simply a this purpose. Correct numbering is the very hasty reprint of the existing law for the pur- basis of correct valuation. Sections 43 and 44 pose of introducing one or two new sections on lare new, but they are parallel to provisions at | Profit for the half-year to 31st which your Excullency's prodecessor had very home and are found necessary in the practical much set his mind—that the control of the rating | working of this Ordinance. They simply relate should be taken from the Executive Council and I to the serving of documents by post instead of given to the Legislative Council; otherwise it by personal service. The Schedules are improved, was left untouched. There was not time, nor and they are brought up to date. There is a had the experience been gained which now has new form of valuation of piers which is necesbeen gained, to revise that law, as ought sary if piers are to be valued at all. Having To taxes to have been done. Since that time, and thus briefly onumerated the very important To fire Insurance......

the Colony, and this last Ordinance embodies cil. I think there are only three or To Balance definition of annual value may be said to have friends, in dealing with this measure, not to land for nearly three hundred years. During to assist us in framing an Ordinance, if posengaged in interpreting what annual value is. | which is a long time in Hongkong. I will ask In this Ordinance the definition of annual value | them to forget any little annoyances of the day is brought into harmony with the law and pract and remember that when things are in a state of | THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOOK tice at home, and for the first time an attempt | transition it is impossible, in carrying out an distinguished from the annual value, and this if trampling occasionally on some one's corns. If serious and well-founded grievance under which unintentional, and as far as I am personally conthe Chinese and others have laboured, namely, that | corned nothing has been left undone to make the Government in self-defence could not allow; matters run smoothly. I would simply urge, not was really two houses, one on topof the other, with perty owners throughout the colony, that the at noon.

as wanting to put a tax on windows, on poultry, is your Excellency's intention, and I sympathise

His EXCELLENCY-I don't quite understand with it. The result of that would be that any you, why it was not prudent before and will property which may be brought in for the first time under this Ordinance would not suffer nearly | selves of a demand for property in that quarter, con-The COLONIAL TREASUREE—It was not so much as it would do if the higher rates were prudent to allow the Chineso to claim refunds for maintained, while the property already rated, some empty rooms, because it would have been an end- of which is in the hands of poor people, will be less business to go into the question whether relieved. I would just mention that very in- | tion will be carried on under the supervision of Go- To belance at debit, 31st December, 1886...1,320,176.07 | present during the greater part of the afternoon these little packing cases were empty or not. It correct ideas prevail on these subjects. Every vernment, and a contract has been entered into for To cost of one new godown at East Point. 21,171.8 is often difficult enough to decide whether a house | question of rating has been fought out at home | the completion of the work for the sum of \$115,000. was empty or not. We have had to hedge that I may say centuries ago; every possible question about with all sorts of precautions, for I am sorry which could arise. It is satisfactory to learn whereas have been further lengthened, so as to acto say that a large number of ratepayers in this from the law books, for instance, that a commodate the large steamers which now come along-Colony seem constitutionally unable to confine carpet is not rateable. There was a com- side, and the third wharf is expected to be ready for By amount appropriated towards reducthemselves to fact in these matters. If we had also pany, the Gas Company, that thought we use very soon.

The directors have much pleasure in intimating to go into the question of allowances for empty were using them badly. That Company might the directors have much pleasure in intimating rooms, it would simply mean this, that any one be interested to learn that every pipe they lay & O. Steam Navigation Company for the use of the whore come forward with a claim would in the street is rateable, but we have not rated whore and godown by their mail steamers and have to be allowed it because it would be impos- them so far. My friend the director of the extra Bumbay boats, for a period of 10 years at tariff Telegraph Companies thought they were hardly rates. As part of the conditions of this agreement His Excendence—How do you get rid of used because we rated a little block house on the company purchased the properties belonging to the commission.

To commission to the shore. Why, such a house would not the shore. Why, such a house would not and West Point. In view of the expenses which To anditors' fees. The Colonial Theasures—In this way, have escaped for a moment in the United King- would be entailed by a separate establishment it was When a house is being valued, we will say the dom, and my friend would probably have been not considered advisable to work the last named prorack rent is \$300 a year or \$25 a month, the surprised to learn that every wire he lays under porty. Since this purchase was made land in the owner says that would be the rent if the whole ground or overhead is rateable. We have not neighbourhood of West Point has, under the influence house were occupied, but it may be that there is carried it so far, but when we hear it said that and negotiations are now pending for the sale of this a room overlooking a public latrine, and the there is to be a tax on everything, that there landlord has great difficulty in letting it; the | will be a tax on chairs next, people should reassessor seeing that the room is damp, that it is member that we are simply applying to this dark, that it is ill situated, or that in all Colony the principles which have been followed probability it would not be let, would for over three hundred years past at home, and tion, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election. By balance of profit and less, carried from

cretury of State the view of this Council on the fifteen per cent, on condition the landlord is not | but why should property of that kind worth ove-this-Ordinance there is a chance, I hope much needed definition of an empty house is given. in a long course of years. I beg to move the The COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

Carried.

His Excellency—There is time to go into To amount expended on building of third wharf toration in our rating principles, but I have con- definitions 10 and 11 the City of Victoria and the of the Ordinance and the expediency of all memquestion for the very reason that all these out are defined, and in 12 a definition of the year is think with reference to what my hon, friend the side Companies are located in merchants' offices, made to allow the valuation to be made in the Treasurer has so clearly stated just now that which would be rated under any circumstances, cool-weather instead of the het. In Section 4 Committee should be postponed to a future meetand I do not see how that plan is practicable, os- the assessor is allowed to value two tenements ling. I think it might tend to simplify matters. pocially where one firm has eighteen agencies, together under certain circumstances, namely, and save time if members who entertain doubts As I do not see any practical means of meet- when a building has a pior in front and the about any of the provisions of the Ordinance ing the case, and as no one has been able building and pier are so intimately connected would endeavour to see the Treasurer on the to suggest to me a feasible plan other than this, that it is impossible to decide the separate value subject and see whether it is not possible to

This Ordinance was road a third time and The Council adjourned until Friday, the 23rd THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY. LIMITED.

The following is the report of the directors to tion 18 it is provided he must presente his ap- be presented at the ordinary meeting of share-In accordance with section 53 of the articles of asso-

> The first four months of the past half-year were very poor, owing to comparatively few visitors coming Since last meeting Mossrs. W. R. Lorley & Co. of London, who have acted as agents in various matters connected with the Hotel, engaged two barmaids, and lospatched them to Hongkong, alleging that they were engaged for service in the Hotel. This they did without any authority from the directors, and as the barmaids were not required, the directors were obliged to refuse to ratify the engagement. Under legal advice the Company paid the claim of the barmaids and are now seeking to recover from Mossrs. exley & Co. the damages Austained in consequence of their unauthorized not. The suit is still pending. The execution of London orders is now entrusted to Messrs. Tulloch & Co., 85, Gracechurch Street, in pines of Messes, Lexicy & Co. as herotofore. Tlet building of the new wing of the Hotel is pro-

and ordered from London. The directors regret that by the death of Mr. Hans. child they lost the valuable services of a centleman who has been for many years connected with the Company. Mr. Robert Lyall has been appointed to

the vacant post.

eceding actisfactorily, and an American "Lift" has

The accounts for the past half-year, after deducting interest, fire insurance, taxes, and all charges, and making provisions for bad and doubtful debts, show oversight in the existing Ordinance it was not a net profit of \$13,821.98, to which has to be added a sum of \$578.94, carried over from hast account, making available \$14,500.02, which the directors, with the with a spoiled stamp is to destroy it, but it which are charged seven per cent. wherever they concurrence of the shareholders, propose to deal with months \$12,000.00 To write off cost of the Co.'s steam launch. To carry forward to new account

> Messrs. W. Kerfoot Hughes and A. dos Remedios CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY retire by retation, but are cligible for re-election Mesars. J. H. Cox and A. E. Vansher offer them solves for re-election.

D. McCulloch, Chairman. BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1887. on the Remaining Portion of Marine Lot

and a statement of accounts for the year ended. 31st Furniture Account Bemaining Portion of Marin Lot No. 7 221,611,06 year shows a satisfactory result. Licences attaching to 1888..... year, the balance at credit of profit and loss account 4,500.00 is \$121.160.43, after deducting the amount of an in-Steam Launch terim dividend of \$6 per share paid on 31st August last. The General Agents and Consulting Committee Dividend of \$6 per share making \$12 for LIABILITIES. To apply towards reduction of property

Paid-up Capital on 3,000 Shares\$300,000.00 case of Mesers Danby & Luigh, dated 1st_ Unpaid Dividend Profit brought forward from last December, 1837 13,821.98 PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. FOR THE 6 MONTHS TO 31ST DECEMBER. 1887.

.\$20,110,46 By Nett Barnings of Hotel..... By Bonus and Dividends from local Offices 161.95 R. LYALL, Secretary.

> WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the first ordinary annual meeting, to be held at the offices of the Com-The directors have the pleasure to submit to the shareholders their first report, with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1887. The total receipts for the 12 months are \$154,973.28. and the net profits, after paying expenses and a Directors' fees \$5,000

Auditors' fees on matsheds, and everything that could be taxed. leaving available for appropriation......... \$70,929.84 to extend the existing rates to everything to dend of \$1 per share, which will absorb \$68,000; to rament broodsed to regising the interliore in Ironi market they at once applied for permission to make a Balance of profit and loss \$211,160.43 corresponding reclamation in front of their adjoining Marine Lots at West Point; after some negotiation this was obtained, and the directors, availing themtracted for a sale of the land and godowns at, present in their occupation, but exclusive of the wharf and reclamation, for the sum of \$500,000, as will be observed in the statement of accounts. The reelama-

At Kowloon the building of the extensive gedowns has only just been completed. The two original

In accordance with the articles of association Mesers. F. Dodwell and W. H. Forbes retire in rota-The directors appointed blessrs. G. S. Coxon and By interest

J. Bell-Trying, Chairman,

property upon advantageous terms,

tion of this account as per report of 10th March, 1887 By balance at debit PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. To anditors' fees To interim dividend of 6 per cent. paid on 90,000,00 Slat August, 1887 T. I. Rose auditors of the company. In the absonce, By not gain on working 213,900.57

JARDINE, MATREBON & CO., General Agonts.

THE LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY. LIMITED. The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the sixth ordinary numus meeting to be held at the offices of the Genera Agents, on Saturday next, the 10th inst. at The general agents have now to submit their reofaccounts for the year ended 31st December, 1887. The results of the year's operations, although still far from satisfactory, mark a considerable improve-ment on these shewn in the last report, and there is now substantial ground for hoping that, owing to the altered conditions of business in the Philippines, the increased margin between the prices of raw and refined sugars may enable the company in the near inture to resume its place among the dividend paying under-In the month of October last, the company held a larger quantity of refined sugar than the general agents deemed prudent, and they therefore stopped the works to permit of the stocks being reduced. From that time with the exception of about a fortnight. in December, sugar refining was suspended until the let instant, but it has now been resumed, and it is hoped that it will be continuous and profitable. The onbesugar manufactured by the company having proved scarcely snitable for the Spanish market. for which it was chiefly intouded, the general agents, with the approval of the consulting committee, have arranged to prosure from England a new machine which they are assured will produce the kind of cube much in demand in Spain. The cost will add considerably to the company's liabilities, but this will b a slight disadvantage if the object in view in providing the additional mischinery be realized. It is hoped the machine will be in working order in about a CONSULTING COMMITTEE. Owing to the death of Mr. M. E. Mureay and the retirenont of Mr. F. D. Sassoon, on leaving the colony, Mr Gillies is the only remaining member of the Consult. ing Committee. Mr. Gillies offers Isimself for reelection, and the General Agents will be glad if the shareholders will nominate two others of their num-4,702.84 | ber to fill the vacancies. If, however, they are unprepared to do so and will leave the matter in the

hands of the Goneral Agents the best arrangements will be made that circumstances permit: In the absence of Messra Arnold and Bevis the accounts have been audited by Mr. F. Henderson, Mr. Arnold will return to the colony shortly and is By capital paid-up 17,000 shares at \$100...1,700,000.00 Hongkong, 1st March, 1888. 76,429.81 CAPITAL ACCOUNT. Working Account, for the Year Ending 31st Sundry debtors Profit and loss account :--Balance Dr. account, 1886...... 29,893.18 Less balance Cr. account, 1887 1.354.65 27,948.53

Jardine, Matheson & Co., advance account Jardine, Matheson & Co., ourrent account 159,265,36 Hongkong & S'hai Banking Corporation..._115,037.65 PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. 1887. 3 Lessinterest on General Agents' current account, conceded... 10.621.48 To remaneration to Consulting Committee To General Agents' and Manile. Agents' commissions \$8,452.07 Less General Agents portion

\$15,501,02 \$15,501.02 By gain in working

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, 28th F. bruary, 1888.

FOOTBALL. CLUB v. 58th REGIMENT.

The return match between the above teams was played on the ground at Wong-nei-chong on the let instant. Owing to some of the Club team not putting in an appearance at the appointed time, it was after five o'clock before start was made. For the first part of the game play was of a very even character, the two sides being pretty fairly matched. Some smart runa were made by Maclean, who was assisted by Vignoles, and after about ten minutes' play the Regiment had a very narrow shave of having to lower their colours, but their goal-keeper was. on the alert and managed to save his goal. The ball was then driven up the field, and after some hard work Johnstone took the ball well in, and Hall was obliged to use his hands to prevent him scoring. The ball was not taken far out before it was again returned, and for some time

the Club's goal keeper had a very lively time of it. With the assistance of Dickson and Brewin. however, he managed to keep the goal intact, and then Mackintosh getting the ball, and being well backed up by Maclean and Vignoles, altered the aspect of the game for a short period. Vignoles then got a chance, and drove the ball for the goal, but the shot did not come off. Almost immediately afterwards Maitland attempted to score, but was not more successful. Shortly afterwards half-time was called, up to this period neither side having scored. On resuming play. the game became very lively, each side making desperate efforts to score. Pedler made severa fine runs for the Regiment, but was too far off on either occasion to take a straight shot and the ball was lost in passing. Johnstone and Char-The remainder of the property at Wanchai has not | rington then worked the ball down, but when yet been sold, but its favourable realisation is hoped | Johnstone was within a few yards of the goal, Dickson, by a plucky rash, floored him and Brewin took the ball out of danger. Gibbs then broughtitbackagain, when Maclean and Vignoles securing it, took it well up the field and Vignoles neatly put it through the uprights, gaining the first goal of the game for the Club. The Regiand M. Grote have resigned their seats on leaving the ment now worked hard to equalise matters, but were somewhat unlucky, which in addition to of these gentlemen and of Messrs. W. K. Hughes and | the splendid play of the Club's backs, prevented them fulfilling their desires. After some five

> ngain taken up the field by the Club, and just before the call of time another goal was scored for them. The Club were thus left the victors by two goals to nil. The following were the respective teams :-58TH REGIMENT. C. E. Higginbotham F. C. Vignoles, B.A. H. S. Woodcock, R.A. C. P. Pedler F. R. Johnstone J. P. Brewin, R.E. J. E. Edmonds, R.E. H. do C. Huntsman Private Haylord E. W. Maitland Private Gibbs F. Maitland C. W. Dickson A. H. Maclean Private Howell Private Hunter Private Neate H. F. Hall

> > 58TH REGIMENT'S ATHLETIC SPORTS.SED MARCH.

D. H. Mackintosh

W. H. Wallace

Private Aldridge

Surgeant Charrington

The Athletic Sports of the 58th Regiment were held on the Racecourse on Saturday afternoon. The weather was favourable with the exception that one keavy shower fell during the afternoon. In spite of the Raccourse not being so easy of access as the Cricket Ground, where the sports have been held in former years, there was a large crowd of spectators, including a large number of ladies. H. El. Sir William des Vœux was las were H. E. Major-General Cameron, Mrs. Cameron, the Misses Cameron, &c. . The events themselves were productive of much interest, and \$1,344,570.37 several of the races were done in excellent time, considering the roughness of the track. The Band of the Regiment was in attendance, and under the direction of Mr. Moran, played the

following selections: Overture " Gny Mannering " Bishop-.....Balfo. " Bohemian Girl"Schubert. Gavotte "First Kise". "Sootch Airs Selection.... "Espano".....Waldteufe "Dorothy" Cellier. Lossarro. Selection Sultan of Morha Collier.

The arrangements were ably carried out by a Committee composed of :- Major Ellis, Major Chaytor, Major Churchill, Capt. Collinson, owner. Lieut. Prichard, Lieut. Graham, Serg. Major Hill, Col. Sergt. Everett, Sergt. Reynolds, and 13,781.53 Sergt Brown. Major Tripp kindly acted as 9,866.29 | Time-keeper.

prise, \$3; 2nd prise, \$1.

Jin. Busby also carried off the prize for this I turn of the money retained by him were \$360 event last year, when his record was 32it. Sin. Pte. Busby (G Company) Pie. Levelay (G Company) HIGH JUMP. 1st prize, \$3 ; 2nd prize, \$1. two inches less than the standard reached last year by the winner. Pic. Bushy (G Company)

Pte. Potter (C Company) LONG JUMP. 1st prize, \$3; 2nd prize, \$1 Owing to the large number of entries the conest in this event was somewhat prolonged. Ptc. James was eventually declared the winner with 17ft. lin. to his credit. Pto. Busby with 16ft. not quite up to last year's form, when 18 feet \$18,000. The plaintiff also urged upon the dewere cleared by the winner. Pte. James (G Company) Pte. Busby (G Company) yards Haudicap. 1st prize, \$3; 2nd prize. \$2

3rd prize, \$1. Three only entered for this race, which result-Time, 14 45ths sees. Watson? Gallagher 83 : 3rd prize, 82.

Time, I Isees. Pto. Panter (A Company) 1 Les-Corpl. Nagles (B Company) ... Pte. Walsh (B Company) C. O's. RACE.—120 yards. 1st prize, \$5:2nd prize, \$3; 3rd prize, \$2.

There were mine entries, and a good race.

Nine men started, a fine race, resulting in a win for Sergt. O'Sullivan. Time, 14 2.5ths sees. Sergt. O'Sullivan (B Company) ... 1 Corpl. Foster (E. Company) Corpl. Jones (F. Company)..... COMPANY TUG-OF-WAR, FINAL-10 men a was paid into the Bank, and Captain Scott was team. Prize. \$20.

Companies. Although A Company worked the crew and supplies, and these three items hard the superior weight of G Company told, which they now claimed for. He submitted and the A Company were bound to confess them- | that the captain was simply acting as the repre-ONE MILE RACE.—1st prize, \$8; 2nd prize, of his duty to sell the ship if required to do so 84 : 3rd prize, \$2 : 4th prize, \$1. the number was greatly diminished before the duties having ended with the sale of the ship, he

winning post was reached. When the last quar- was not entitled to recover \$65 as passage money -36,319.29 ter of a mile was reached it was evident that to Hongkong. In support of this contention 510.67 Haynes had the race in his own hands. Time, 23,522.84 5min. 33secs. Pto. Haynes (C Company)...... Pte. Seamark (A. Conpany)...... 2 Pte. Hancock (E Company)...... 3

Pte. Andrews (B.Company)..... LD SOLDIERS' BACE.—120 yards, of 1 yard for every year over 12 years. 1st prize, \$5; 2nd prize, \$3; 3rd prize, \$2. Three men only came to the mark for the veerans race, which was almost a walk over for O'Sullivan. Time. 164sees. Sergt. O'Sullivan

S. M. C. Sexton... hrowing the Cricket Ball. 1st prize. \$3 : 2nd prize. \$1. There were a considerable number of entries for this event, the first prize being carried off by Pte. Tomkins, last year's winner, his record on this occasion, 101 yards. Ift, being six inches ter than last vear.

Col. Sergt. Kendrick

Pts. Tomkins (C Company)...... Pte. Moore (A. Company) 2 QUARTER MILE RACE. Challenge Cup, presented by Hon. C. P. Chater. This race was easily won by Panter, who was never pressed and who in consequence, as the time shows, took matters very easily. Time. Pte. Panter (A. Company).....

Pte. Nagles (B Company)2 Pte. Haynes (C Company) 3 BLUE JACKETS RACE — 120 yards. 1st prize, \$5; 2nd prize, \$3; 3rd prize, \$1. finish, the three placed mon having very little to | for the plaintiff. He had no standing whatspare. The time, 15secs., was hardly as good as the ever in the case. At the time of the sale Mr.

Connor (H.M.S. Sapphire) Frampton (H.M.S. Victor Emanuel). 2 Smith (H.M.S. Victor Emanuel) ... 3 20 YARDS' HANDICAP.—Open to Officers of Hongkong or V. R. Club, Prize, a Cup. There were five entries for this race, which. after a keen contest, was won by Lieut. Higgin- half month's wages. From the 1st to the 15th botham, who received 8 yards; Denison, the October he was not perhaps actually commanding scratch man, coming in second. Time, 25sees. Lieut. Higgiubotham. (8 vards)..... 1

Mr. A. Denison, (scratch) Mr. E. Shepherd, (3 yards)...... 3 HALF-MILE RACE.—Open to Army, Navy, and say he was entitled to this salary as captain, but

Gunda Singh (Gun Lascars) Pte. Haynes (D Company)...... 2 Gurram Singh (Gun Lascars) 3

FILTING AT THE BUCKET. to the spectators, who appeared to enjoy im- Pitman; but he was determined to stand upon his mensely the mishaps of those whose aim was not right. He was clearly entitled to the money he had Broom, Penfold and Bristol, Latchford and Apart from that, however, in this case, Mr. Pit-

SKIRMISHING RACE.-1,000 yards, open to he therefore asked his Lordship to non-suit him. the Garrison. Prizes presented by H. E. Major-General Cameron. The competitors in this event had to advance actual owner. Mr. Ewens was only the trustee a skirmishing order, lying down and firing one for him. Was it necessary for the trustee to round at every hundred yards. Notwithstanding come before the Court? If so the writ had betthe somewhat exhausting nature of the contest, ter be amended, and Mr. Ewens made a co-Pte. Haynes, the winner, managed to finish the plaintiff.

race in the excellent time of 4mins. 25secs. Pte. Havnes (D Company) Pte. Panter (A Company) Pte. Andrews (B Company) Pte. Turland (C Company)..... 4 Pte. Dickens (A Company)... to Army, Navy, and Police. This race was run in heats. In the first heat minutes' even play in the centre the ball was the placed men were Pte. Mills, Pte. Busby, Pte.

Pte. Seamark. In the final heat Seamark was declared the winner. Time, 19 2-5ths sees. Pte. Seamark (A. Company) Pte. Hyde (C Company) Pte. Nagles (B Company) 3 Whilelbarrow Race: 1st prize, \$3; 2nd prize,

Result:-Ptes. Busby and Young Ptes. Hyde and Latchford Ptes. Tompins and Hyde 3 STERPLE CHASE.—1,080 yards. 1st prize, \$8; 2nd prize, \$4; 3rd prize, \$3; 4th prize, \$2; 5th | case. Thirteen entered for this event, which was lafter consulting with him, Mr. Webber stated over a remarkably stiff track. Seamark, the that Mr. Ewens had no objection to being made winner, came in some dozen yards ahead of the a co-plaintiff.

remainder. Time, Smin. 34secs. Pte. Seamark...... Pte. Panter Pte. Bristoe Pte. Chappel Police. Prize, \$20. 10 men a team.

Five teams entered for this event-58th Regi- afterwards. ment, Royal Artillery, Police, Royal Marine, John Pitman, the plaintiff, said-I am a merand Sikls. After several contests the two teams | chant and shipowner. I was owner of one half of which remained in the final were the Police and the steamer Mary Austin and managing owner. the 58th Regiment the Police having previous- Mr. MacGregor Smith was the owner of the other ly pulled over the Regiment in one of the trials. half. Myshare was mortgaged to Mr. Ewens. Mr. in the final they again claimed the victory, but William Keswick held the other half on behalf an objection was raised that they let go the of Mr. Smith. Defendant had been in my emrope and claimed the victory before they had ploy many years off and on. In the beginning notually pulled their opponents over the mark of November, 1886, he was out of employment, and the matter at present remains in dispute.

SUPREME COURT 29th February.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. BEFORE MR. A. J. LEACH, ACTING PUISNE JUDGE. PITMAN v. SCOTT.

In this suit the plaintiff claimed the refund-

tiff, and Mr. Wotton for the delendant. There were four entries for this event, which ant. The three items wrongfully charged by himself. I thought that this proposal was so was won easily by Bushy with a record of 34tt. defendant and for which they claimed the re- extraordinary for a trusted corvent to make that

for defendant from Penang to Hongkong: There were five competitors. Busby was sgain and \$90 for wages after the ship was to the fore, his final jump being 4ft. 6in., being handed over, from the 1st to the 15th October. Briefly, the facts were these. On the 7th October, 1887, defendant was sent to Singapore to take charge of the Mary Austin. He did this in consequence of a letter appointing him to that position from plaintiff. This letter empowered him to take charge of the vessel as master, and also requested him, as the vessel was not being worked profitably, to sell her if he could do so on advantageous terms. The price 10in, being second. The jumping this year was required for the vessel by the plaintiff was fendant that the vessel was no longer to be worked at a loss, as rather than continue to do that he would prefer she should be laid up BAND BOYS' RACE.—Under 18 years. 120 Captain Scott then took over charge of the vessel, and for some time ran her at a loss. On the 1st October, 1887, a sale was effected with some Chinese, and the vessel was handed over. Capin a dead-heat between Watson and Webb. tain Scott had nothing more to do with the sale other than that he was there as paid servant of the plaintiff, and was bound to do the best for his interests. At the time of Captain Scott taking over charge of the YARDS RACE.—1st. prize, \$5; 2nd prize, steamer Mr. Pitman was actual owner of one half of the vessel and managing owner of the whole. Theother half belonged to Mr. McGregor resulted, Panter winning by about three yards. Smith who sold his share to Mr. Ewens. To facilita to the transfer of the ship Mr. Ewens gave a bill of sale to Mr. Pitman for the other half and then sent down the necessary papers to Captain Scott, in order that the vessel might be handed over to the purchasers. The ship was sold for \$12,000, on which sale Captain Scott charged commission at the rate of three per cent. Captain Scott had no claim whatever to any commission. He was not acting as a broker, but simply carried the matter through as the paid representative of the plaintiff. The purchase money requested to send in his accounts. The ac-The other trials had been previously pulled off, counts were then sent up to Hongkong, and and this event was the final between A and G parchase money, less dispursements for wages of sentative of the owner, and it was part and percel by the owner; but he could not recover any ad-There were twelve starters for this race, but | ditional remuneration for that. The cuptain's Mr. Webber quoted from Boyd. Proceeding, he said that the ship's log showed that the captain's engagement anded there. On the 1st October there was an entry in Captain Scott's own handwriting which ran "On this day the ressel. passed into the possession of Messra. Ban Hou Ho & Co., morehants of Penang," and in addition to this Captain Scott, after the sale made a voyage in the steamer, for which he was paid by the then owners. The last item to which objection was taken was the sum of \$90 for half a month's wages from the 1st to the 15th October, to which he was certainly not entitled.

for commission, being at the rate of three per

cont. on-the-sale-of-the-steamer in Singapore

on the lat October, 1887; \$65 passage money

he was not entitled to the half-month's wares. Mr. Wotton said that Captain Scott-had proceeded to Singapore to take charge of the vessel upon the letter of appointment which had been put in by Mr. Webber, which contained Captain Scott's instructions. Before Captain Scott left Hongkong, Mr. Pitman also told him verbally that if he sold the vessel he would allow him three per cent. commission upon the proceeds of the sale. Captain Scott used great exertious to find a purchasor for the vessel and eventually sold it for \$12,000. In addition to these exertions. great responsibility was thrown upon Captain Scott, not only as captain of the ship but as special agent of Mr. Pitman. Before, however, going into the facts of the case, he took objection Five men entered, and all were well up at the to the suit on the statement made by the solicitor Military record for the same distance, 14 2-5ths | Ewens was sole owner, and he was the right person, if any, to bring this claim. Mr. Pitman had no legal ownership in the ship nor in the proceeds of the sale. With regard to the question of wages and passage money, it was distinctly agreed at the time of the hiring that the Army and Navy, and members of the in the event of the ship being sold Captain Scott's passage back to Hongkong was to be paid. The defendant had a perfect right to the the ship, but he was managing the affairs of the ship and was detained in Penang during that. period discharging her liabilities and settling the numerous claims against her. He did not he was certainly entitled to it as agent. He This event was won easily by Gunda Singh, might perhaps mention that Captain Scott had who carried off the first prize last year for the actually advanced money from his own pocket on behalf of the ship, and had not Captain Scott wished to do everything within the four corners of the agreement he might have charged interest. on these advances. Captain Scott had wished to de nothing that might appear mean, and had been This contest was an amusing one, at any rate | and was ready to pay over everything due to Mr. sufficiently true to escape the inevitable ducking. I deducted from the proceeds of the sale, and no-The successful competitors were Temkins and thing but the law would make him give it up. man was not the piaintiff and could not sue, and

In conclusion he submitted that as a paid servant

acting for the owner he could not claim commis-

sion for the sale of the vessel; that his engage-

ment having terminated on the 1st October when

the vessel was handed over to the Chinese pur-

chasers, he was not entitled to anything for his

passage to Hongkong and for the same reason,

Mr. Webber said that Mr. Ewens, he thought would be quite willing to appear as a co-plaintiff, but the fact was that these documents were not made between Mr. Ewens and the plaintiff till after the contract for the sale of the ship had been entered into. The contract was entered into at the time when Mr. Pitman was owner; TURDLE RACE.—120 yards, 10 flights. Open | and then these documents were made before the vessel was finally handed over.

His Lordship said although Mr. Ewons was

the legal owner, he thought Mr. Pitman was the

His Lordship said the case as it stood now appeared to him somewhat confused. It was very Walsh; in the second, Pte. Hyde, Pte. Nagles, | inconvenient that no pleadings had been filed, Mr. Webber expressed himself willing to file pleadings. Mr. Watton objected to the adjournment ne-

cessary for this Durnose. His Lordship said be understood that Mr. Wotton was pressing for a non-suit. It was impossible for him to decide that point as the case Mr. Wotton said that rather than have the case adjourned he would withdraw his applica-

tion for a non-suit and go on with the case. His Lordship then agreed to proceed with the At this point Mr. Ewens came into Court, and

Mr. Ewens-I have no objection to being made a nominal plaintiff, my lord, but on the understanding that if the case is lost, I am not

liable for costs. (Laughter). His Lordship said he thought they might proceed with the case as it now stood. If it was OPEN TUG-OF-WAR, For Army, Navy, and found necessary as the case proceeded to make Mr. Ewens a plaintiff, his name could be added

and he came to me to know if I could give him anything to do. A vacancy occurred in Singapore through the Captainof the steamer leaving, and I wrote to defendant, who came to my office. I then explained to him the difficulties the ship was in owing to the Captain leaving, that she had been worked very unsatisfactorily, and that I had offers for her sale from the then agents at Singapore. I told him I would prefer that the vessel should be laid up rather than run at a loss. I told him I was anxious to sell her if I could get a good price, but did not wish to sell at a sacrifice. I wrote him a letter of appointment and sent ing of 3515 alloged to have been wrongfully de- him to Singapore. I gave him orders to pay duoted by defendant from the proceeds of the his passage and take it from the ship's funds. sale of a steamer, of which plaintiff was the He did not do so, and I believe I am still liable for it. Nothing was said about return passage Mr. Webber appeared on behalf of the plain. in case of ship being sold. Nothing was said about commission. The ship was at that time in Mr. Webber, in opening the case for the plain- the hands of the agents, and I could not pay two tiff, said this was a claim brought by John Pit commissions. I never promised to pay three Appended are the details of the various events: man, managing owner of the steamer Mary per cent. commission. After defendant arrived in PUTTING THE BROT, 16 lbs.—No follow. 1st Austin, against David Scott for three sums un. Singapore be made me an offer to go into partnerlawfully charged against the plaintiff by defend. ship with some Chinese and charter the vessel

I did not reply to lit. Despite my orders not tain Sout had been engaged here, and if dis which was waivable and for this transaction; maintained that this was not an act of expects whose evidence the Court had to rely upon Hougkong, and heavy medical expenses an agreement distinctly made between the two to do so. Before experting it he desired to go appeared that the paralisation to the opinm, he had cortainly throught it was some length to the parchase of the half-share some very important mistakes. I got the accounts settling affairs connected with the sleamer, and "C" and in answer to this was sent back according to Mr. Seth's evidence to write across spium ought to be released at once. in October, 1887, and Captain Scott came to he maintained that he was perfectly entitled to stamped form "D." For the convenience of the face of the permit the words " with permis-Canton to see me in the middle of November. be paid for that period. That was the first time I saw him after the sale. David Scott the defendant, said—I am a master ally made one. The Court would observe that His Lordship—The point is that you allowed I told him he was being treated liberally by me mariner of nine years standing. The application was made and permission granted it to be done. The question is, if you allowed it and that what he had done was only within his the plaintiff since 1885. I was then in com- without any condition whatever. In this point does it lie in you to turn round and say you did duties as a servant, and that it was impossible mand of the steamer Milton, of which he was they had the evidence of Commander Romsey, not.

for me to pay him the commission and wages then the registered owner. The Milton was Mr. Cordeiro Mr. Seth, and Yuen Ming. Comafter the ship was sold. I told him I would sold in Penang by Messrs. Tenant & Co., the mander Rumsey said he gave the permit by that deal with the question if waived. have to get the accounts audited and present agents. I was then the Captain, and assisted stampunder the impression that the opium would pointed out that schedule D. was them to my co-owner. Captain Scott then them considerably in the sale. They charged be carried to the bulk in the junk named in per- form of permit to export specified opium Atterney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley) ap- point of the commission, he submitted that da-

borrowed the ship's account-book and has refused five per cont. commission, but they never got it. mit "D." to return it. The crew of the Mary Austin I was in Penang attending the sale of that The Acting Chief Justice said as he under that bad been added the words "With permission were paid off on the 1st October. The Captain | vessel in October, 1886, and after she was sold I stood the case, seven permits were given to carry to take to the Chinese Custom Station." These was also paid up to that date, and he has since | was appointed by telegram to take charge of the 'the opium in seven different vessels, and instead words were worthless if separated from the perreceived half a month's salary, which I am now Mary Austin. I went to Singapore, where she of doing so, they placed the whole in one vessel. mit itself, and all it amounted to was that the sning for. According to the log, which I now was, to take charge of her, but the agents there and Commander Rumsey gave junk mentioned was to be allowed to diverge to ed on the latter count. The Acting Chief Jus- there he thought the claim for the half month's produce, delivered to me as managing owner by refused to acknowlege Mr. Pitman's authority. no specific evidence to that effect. His evidence the Customs Station. Captain Scott, there is on the 1st October an I at once came to Hongkong to see Mr. Pitman, on that point was that he had simply continued The Chief Justice said that on the evidence the jury that recent possession was presumptive Captain Scott was entitled to commission for entry in his own handwriting of the sale of the and after keeping me waiting for about seven a practice already in force. This practice was beforethem it was obviously common sense that it ship to Messrs. Ban Hok Ho and Company. He days he gave me the letter of appointment already originated and introduced by Mr. Seth, the pro- was intended to be brought back again. Mr. then went on a voyage for the new owners, put in, the power of attorney, and a letter to the viens Superintendent of Imports and Exports. Soth had given a clear and straightforward acount on the 5th October there is an entry to the Herbour Master at Singapore. Mr. Pitman Mr. Soth said he adopted this practice with the count of what the practice was; he said the

Captain Scott to accept this offer.

Was there any slip in this case ?-No.

---No. I had not. I had only an offer.

don't know where he is. Are you going to tell him ?-Certainly.

most straightforward manner. had promised him three per cent, commission. I passage back to Hongkong. Mr. Pitman never should be caused to the property of which he junk, but there was nothing to show the Opium it as the agents told me they had never got sufficient sum to cover his own remuneradenied having done so. I never said to Captain expressed any dissatisfaction with the way I was, for the time being, in one sense of the word Farmer or his agent did not know. Scott that three per cent, was too high and that I was acting for him. In a letter dated 29th July, a trustee, and therefore, prima facic, there was the Attorney General said there was not one vessel, and advised me to be careful of Mr.

they were afraid whether they would get their He said "You have charged too high a commis under certain conditions without a war- Opinm Farmer would be was this, that when it and 3rd, whether he was entitled to his remane- to compare the two statements carefully, and carried right through the whole length of the money. I dismissed them.

signation crossed your dismissal. Witness-Yes, but they know from my pre money. He said "I do not mind about the pass- reasonable ground for cortain belief might enter would have been an appeal. You gave up the track entered into between himself and plaintiff, that taken place. Having come to that con- drain itself had little or no fall in it; it was comvious letter what was coming.

letters and telegrams for the purpose of showing if I would give him a cheque for \$90, the other excise officer doing so, and he was the person one pending the appeal: that the plaintiff was engaged in duties as an agency and the sense of agent, beyond those of captain.

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joined beyond the letter already put in. sel, she was, according to Captain Scott's tele- matter for \$180. Scott took charge my agents had settled all old an offer, my lord.

Mr. Pitman, re-called at the request of Mr. Wotton, said—I see by the report of the Cham. day at 2.30 p.m. ber of Commerce handed to me that the charge mentioned therein for the effecting of sale of ships is five per cent.

Mr. Wotton, in opening the case for the defence, said defendant wasengaged by the plaintiff to go down to Singapore to take charge of the stramer Mary Austin. Previous to his departure Mr. Pitman told defendant to look about for a purchaser for the steamer and promised he would give three per cent. in the event of the Mr. Sercombe Smith in the late large seizure reading of this particular section the preamble stantial fine. ship being sold, and also that his passage back to of opium Hougkong would be paid. Defendant was to have the vessel could be got into anything like trim. as stated by the Magistrate, was has the What they maintained was that having sent in and would not take any notice of what was the by the correspondence put, in, in bringing Exports furnishing him with the particulars ties as the owners might please, without having sense. He (Mr. Rebiason) contended on the made the sale. notual owner, and the sale was eventually effected guilty of the offence charged he was subject to a long to the Police Station and reported it, but Directors themselves have a considerable state for \$12,000. Captain Scott then came to Hong- very heavy line and the forfeiture of the opium, the junk, or as far as could be seen to the num- out of the opium, the purpose of paying the whole transaction a profit of about \$1,000. He he remained with them on board till hunted out in the Company, with the object, it appears to he thought he might have some difficulty in of moving complained of was not an act specify the number of packages and the vessel in port the conviction. They could not convict a who was also agent for the mortgager, he should their plunder over the boarder, that made depre- are shareholders justified in placing implicit

when I placed him in charge of my ship. From everything were in a ruinous condition. There tom already in existence, and also clear that it tion was affected no one. The parties got a per- against the defendant. many things which have reached me since, was neither chief mate nor second mate on beard, was the custom to carry opium to the hulk in mit which was unobjectionable and they had his accounts, that confidence has been consider- with nine deck hands, one European engineer, a solicitor for the respondent had tried before the Opium Farmer. He did not say they application and upheld the conviction. ably shaken. I engaged Captain Scott because Chinese assistant engineer, and five firemen. Magistrate to depreciate the evidence of his own had done or intended to do so, but it would open he had asked me to employ him several times. The work thrown upon myself and European witness, Mr. Cordeiro, by asking him that if the the door to a system under which the Opium Provious to his departure to Singapore I told engineer was very great. We were running opium was to be shipped must it bedone in a vessel Farm would be undermined. It was essential him that if he got a good offer for the ship I | under charter for some time, and I had out | named in the permit. But in this case the opium | the Court should determine the extent of the was willing to sell her. I purchased Mr. Smith's side my duties as captain a great deal of corres- was not being shipped, it was being carried to the waiver, and that must be done on the words share at the end of September, 1887, for \$3,700. pondence with Mr. Pitman to attend to. When hulk Although the prosecution had had full oppore "With permission to take to the Chinese The vessel was not sold at that time. I do not I arrived in Singapore the ship was indebted to tunity, they did not produce one single permit to Customs." If he had allowed a convenient think the contract was signed at that time. I the sum of \$1,600 to Messrs. W. R. Scott & carry opium to the hulk with the name of the parti- practice up to that point it was not to be do remember sending the telegram handed to me | Co for money advanced to the ship for neces | color boat marked on it, and further they had not stretched against him to cover an act of The telegram, which was put in, was dated such a large amount of work at first, but to box. He might remark that there had been a was complained of in the present instance. 22nd September, and acknowledged receipt of wards the end of the charter I wrote to a want of frankness and candour on behalf of the What had been done was to take the opium in

offer of \$12,000 for the steamer, and authorised great many persons to try and effect the Opium Farmer. He went to Mr. Lister and com- other quantities than those specified, without any Mr. Wotton-Did you not know that this sale posted in what I was doing. Messra Scott & he plainly made a statement of the facts to Mr. in existence. But assuming the waiver was some

had an offer for the steamer of \$12,000?-I did not intend to appoint any other agents, and victed him as particeps criminis. When !- When Captain Scott renders media in addition to those as master of the ship. As the line of argument taken by the boun- and not a directory provision, and that permits mention was made by myself or Mr. Pitman conversation with Mr. Pitman, in which Mr. But as managing owner, when you sold the for the ship's requirements, and previous to the five points raised by him. His learned terms of that schedule. With reference to his I wrote the letter in which the passage occurs the ship's requirements, and previous to the five points raised by him. His learned terms of that schedule. With reference to his I wrote the letter in which the passage occurs the ship's requirements, and previous to the five points raised by him. His learned terms of that schedule. ship for \$12,000, should you not have informed to the sale being completed. I deposited \$1,800 friend, however, before proceeding to deal with friend's contention that section 19 of the Ordin T nm sure you will be willing to allow me the loss, and if he could scenre a good offer to sell your co-owner of the fact before offering him I in the Bank as a personal security that plain with refer ance must be read with section 10, he contended three per cent. commission and my passage to her. Captain Scott swere positively that plain. \$3,700 for his share? I beg your pardon. You the liabilities against the ship would be paid once to the want of bond fides and candour on that section 19 applied to an entirely different Hongkong as you promised." I had no doubt in the event of his selling the

their share. Everything has been done in the lagents I secured a charter, for her myself, by might say, that the Opium Farmer stood appellant was the person moving the opium, and for the vessel. I received no answer to that April Captain Scott wrote to Mr. Pitman offermy own exertions, which was an increase of sixty there simply to ask for a proper con- if, as his friend said, he was not the proper per- letter till the agents resigned, when Mr. Pitman ing to take over the agency of the ship himself. Witness, continuing, said—I dismissed my per cent over what the vessel had previously struction of the law, and the enforcement of son to obtain permits, then that debarred him asked me to do the best I could for him. When but it was not till three months afterwards that agents at Singapore, but their letter sending in been earning. On the 1st October the ressel the law as defined in section 10 of the Ordinance. from every shred of protection. I did not pay two commissions. If I had not After they took her over I made a four days and I hen proceed the previous month were unpaid. I am then proceed the previous month were unpaid. I am then proceed the ship, and did to the ship to the paid Captain Scott I should not have paid any voyage in the vessel, at the request of the part and stopped not aware that I ever wrote to Mr. Pitman offer. the work for the ogency in addition to his duties about the case very hard, gone to Penang; a new man came and stopped not aware that I ever wrote to Mr. Pitman offer. commission on the sale. Proviously to coming classes. I received no salary for that I exinamuch as they had seen the penalty was this practice, which, according to Mr. Lister's ing to act as agent for her. I am not aware that as master of the ship. This of course put him
to the sum of \$12,000 the parties did not make pecked to do so, but when I applied for it the merely a nominal one inflicted for the purpose evidence, they had acquiesed in before. If the smaller offers. They made larger ones. I was purchasers said they intended placing my salary of raising this issue. The Opium Farmer had was a thing that the new man in his better juds in regard to its, sale came within the distinct agreement as to the remuneration for informed by Captain Scott that they afterwards as a set off against a boat which Mr. Pitman no special position with reference to the pro- ment thought ought not to be continued, why scope of my duties. I only received \$100. The work he was doing. Negotiations having with leaw them. I sold the Milton at Penang. should have given up. The purchase money secution in that Court, and with that point it did not he stop it, instead of putting the appellant from the charterers, which I drew in advance, been going on for some time in September an I pail commission to my agents there for the was paid into the Bank in my name and the might be necessary to deal more fully later, but lant to all this trouble. Why did not he take The vessel then went into dock. That \$400 not not all this trouble. sale. It is not a fact that the ship was heavily purchasers, and neither of us could touch it with. he thought it only fair to wall the attention of up the position of the Government in the matter, went to help to pay the ship's expenses. sel for \$12,000. The contract was made on the in debt in Penang before Captain Scott took out the consent of the consent of the Court to it at the cutset. He might define and say there had been a wrong reading of the When the Milton was sold my wages ceased on 22nd Sept. and carried out on the 1st October. charge. She was slightly in debt. I do not the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the the Opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the the Opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the the Opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale. As soon as the opium Farmer's position with reference to Ordinance, and stop the papers and the bill of sale.

know that Captain Scott paid on her behalf papers arrived I drew \$3,272. The balance was this man to all the trouble and expense of a transaction. I was paid up to the date of the which from the evidence of Captain Scott he ga-31,800, or paid off the orew with his own money, remitted to Mr. Ewens by the Bank. The vest of a valuable estate which had been created, prosecution? I know nothing, of course, to the contrary, but sel was sold for \$12,000. I received no commis. built up, and protected by legal provisions, the The Attorney General said that of course he Mr. Pitman gave me a note for it, but it was not In one letter he had said they were under \$1,000, he has never told me so or rendered my accounts. sion from the purchasors. The \$3,272 was used most important of which were the Opinm Ordin. could not answer that question. There was \$23,000 in the Bank there. Captain by me in discharge of the ship's debts, and 1887. He was the holder for The Chief Justice said he saw the Magistrate some six days during the period from the 1st to for a remittance or authority to take from the Scott was engaged in Hougkong to take com- satisfying of my own claims. I left the Mary the time being of a monopoly said the thing was done without the knowledge the 14th October. The passage money I charge purchase money deposited in the Bank the sum mand of the vessel. I cannot believe that the Austin on the 7th October. The next day she was primarily created in the interests of the Superintendent, but he did not see that is simply for my own passage. I actually paid of \$3,500 to pay the liabilities, wages of the seacaptain pledged his own credit on behalf of the blew up. The papers did not arrive till the 18th public revenue. He was just as much and no he said it was done without the knowledge of the that amount for my passage and more. All the men, and his own arrears. At that time he reship. Tremember receiving a letter from Cap- October and I was bound to wait in Penang un more a farmer in the case of the revenue than a Opium Farmer. There was a change in the men were paid up to the let October, and the ceived the intelligence that Mr. Pitman was no thin Scott, dated 2nd October, telling me about til their arrival. I will swear that Mr. Pitman man who hired a piece of land and cultivated it Superintendents as well as in the managers, new owners put their own crow on board. The longer the registered owner, but that a transfer. the \$560 commission and passage to Hongkong. promised me verbally to pay me three per cent. for the time being was the meaning of the bargain money was deposited on 23rd September. bad been made to Mr. Ewens. This was done I did not reply to that letter. When he came to commission on the sale of the vessel. I will His object would necessarily and properly be blue mark on the permit and said the Opium By His Lordship—I see the letter of 23rd Sept. by Mr. Pitman for reasons of his own. Find-Canton to see me and I told him he had no right also swear that Mr. Pitman told me that in the while he was a tenant to take reasonable pre- Farmer knew it. Commander Rumsey never knew When I wrote the letter in which reference is ing therefore that the ship was no longer

would not object to two and a half per cent. I 187 in which he writes to me. "Dear Scott.—I nothing unreasonable, oppressive, or unfair in word in the evidence to show that the Opium Pitman. The first intimation I had of Mr. have charged me a higher commission than two doing the best that can be done." I came back provisions of such an Ordinance as this. The holder of a permit in this form would use it to Austin was on the lat or 2nd of October, when evidence as regards the three per cent. commisand a half per cent, and they would have made to Hongkong. I did not find him here first contention of his learned friend was that cover an act of the character of that which I received a letter from him. me a return. I never remember saying to him and went to Canton, where, after waiting the excise officer had no locus standi; that for formed the subject of the charge in the prehim I could not put \$90 salary into the ac- and we had a long conversation respecting the course had referred to sections 22 and 28 of the be done than might fairly be gathered from be answered in the case—lat, whether defendant hand Captain Scott swore positively that ing "unhealthy" owing to several deaths havcounts. I did not say "Give me, a chit for \$90 ship and her sale. He demurred to an item in Grdinance for the purpose of establishing that. the construction of the document itself. was entitled to three per cent. commission on the such promise was made to him. When they ing occurred in it from fever), on examining the and the other matters will be all right." My the account of \$72 for medical expenses. We Now, section 22 said that it should be lawful for With regard to putting the defendant to expense sale of the Mary Austin; 2nd, whether he was had the evidence of one man pitted against drains we found the drain from the servants' agents did not give up their agency because then passed on to the question of commission. a police or excise officer to arrest certain persons and all that, what he took it the position of the entitled to his return passage from Singapore; the other, as in this case, it was necessary quarters, cookhouses, and Chinese latrine was

Mr. Wotton-Yes, but you said that their re- three is too high," I reminded him of his pro- gistrate to be dealt with according to law. The Chief Justice-Supposing the magistrate, conclusion of the contract. On the first two man had told an untruth, he must come to thin tiles), within a few inches of the floor miss about the commission and the passage Section 23 provided that an excise officer having rooms. The age money. The commission is too high, when | vessels under certain circumstances, search, and opium. her. Wotton—I see, then they were prepared I made you that promise I expected to get more seize any opium found. He could not see what Mr. Robinson said the opium was only, given the 1st of October, 1887. Even supposing the to pay commission and passage money back to fied sewage; the ground on both sides and the for the steamer." He then said he would not bearing these two sections had upon the question up under a heavy bond, Witness, continuing, said—Mr. Ewens was pay me the fifteen days' wages, that I was ill at whether a prosecution, such as the prosecution with the ship's busimy accredited agent in Hongkong, when I left the time and had stayed in Penang for my own might be initiated in that Court or in a Magis retaining the opium. It is a fine of \$20. I

Cross-examination 'continued-There was no Mr. Ewens said I was entitled to the wages, and it could be separated from the other issues, as to What he would have done if there had been an written agreement with the captain when he that he would write to Mr. Pitman about it. I the locus standi of the excise officer under this offence would have been to forfeit the opium. Re-examined by Mr. Webber-At the time I tiff's solicitor. I afterwards had an interview offence had been committed and there was no forfeiture.

At this stage the court adjourned till the next

1st March. IN APPEAL.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

KO KAL APPELLANT, v. CHU TONG, RESPONDENT.

as much as Mr. Pitman expected it would, if the section had been infringed, the in- derected to be the appellant's contention was - commit murder but intended to rob a dead body, effected the sele of the vessel for the vessel for the vessel for the vessel for the sele of the vessel for the ves As to the claim for passage money, Cap Tringement was merely an omission of formality wit is quite true we all not make an application although that was a very wrongly act. He \$12,000. Now, this was really the gentleman hard labour.

the office these two applications were physic, sion to take to the Chiusse Customs Station."

health and that another Captain was appointed to get a passage on his account. After a good and that the form "C," was first used. Subset the Opium Farmer knew it was so, by the owners, Mosses. Ban Hok Ho and Come deal of trouble I got that passage. On arriving quently, for convenience, he substituted the stamp, The Atterney General said there was nothing

saries. I told Mr. Pitman of this. I had not ventured to put the Opium Farmer into the an entirely different character, which was what

sale. I had also to keep Mr. Pitman thoroughly plained of his ignorance of the practice. Had check, in other vessels not named in any document

Ewens went to Mr. McClymont and told him I would have been stopped. Mr. Pitman would to that he should say nothing. The conduct of perfect particulars.

convenience. I asked him if the wages was the trate's Court by an excise officer. He apprehend | nuderstood the opium was given up.

that that prosecution could not be sustained. that? was not a moving for the purposes of expertation | feited.

these at the time they were acting in the way nominal line. This was an appeal against the decision of complained of. If there was any doubt as to the

to incur further liabilities, bodil so. He wrote at charged in a foreign port he was entitled to be sections 10 and 13 must be read with section that we did not mention the sampan, etc., but lien. If it were an act of expertation, then be against that of Captain Scott. Capt. Scott had letter to me, in which he said that the liabilities | brought back to the port in which he was on omission of the Ordinance under of course flow his best to maintain his position would be under \$1,000. He then wrote another gaged. If his Lordship examined the correct to the knowledge of the appellant was a sufficient condonation of the a \$2,000, and finally sent a telegram in which he had performed a number of duties which were said they were \$3,500, and pressing for immediate really those of an agent, and considering that to in section 10. It appeared from the depositions as was done by the Superintendent and attempt the maintendent and atte then found that after paying himself commis merce was five per cent, be thought his charge applications in due form to be allowed to export ledge of the irregularities that were being insion, half a month's oxira wages, passage money to of three per cent, was very moderate. It was thirty-two chests of opinion, and get permission to troduced? In accordance with form "D" it time to consider its judgment. With regard Mr. Webber said his friend had alluded

he had \$200 too much, and this was paid back parties that he should have this commission. As to the Customs hulk and parties that he should have this commission. As to the Customs hulk and parties that he should have this commission. As to the Customs hulk and parties that he should have this commission. As to the Customs hulk and parties that he should have this commission. As to the Customs hulk and parties that he should have this commission. into the Bank. The accounts Captain Scott for to the question of wages, Captain Scott remained Ho made a second application according to the the marks given, a certain number specified, and they got security had to pay commission for it. had been made for the ship. This was not mawarded me were very irregular and contained at Penang till the 15th October longaged in usage of the Opium Farmer by stamping form the junk mentioned. It had been customary If there was anything of that sort, here the 3rd March.

> REGINA v. KWOR ACHI. Mr. Robinson, instructed by Messra. Wotton

by a specified junk to a specified place. To

offect that he had left the ship on account of ill sent me with a letter to Messrs. Sassoon & Co.'s full knowledge and consent of the Opinm Farmer, opinm might be lumped, and was lumped, and

was effected when you made your offer for Mr. Co ceased to be the agents for Mr. Pitman in Lister, Mr. Lister would certainly never have than he contended it was, that the matter of fact I was engaged in conducting the to decide this case at once as he had had an McGregor Smith's share 1-No, it was only an August, 1887. They had received the charter advised him to go to law, at any rate without Opium Farmer had given away his rights of su-ship's business till the 23rd October. Had the opportunity since the last hearing of the case of "There's many a slip twixt the cup and money for the current month, and out of that reference to the Superintendent of Imports and pervision at the instigation and suggestion of papers from Hongkong come down sooner I reading over the evidence and the whole of the they paid themselves and sent the balance, \$370, Exports. The learned counsels then quoted Mr. Seth, still be contended it would not juter could have left at once. The papers arrived on correspondence. The plaintiff claimed to reto me. That was \$400 short of what was authorities on the points of law raised. In fere with the legality of the conviction in this the 17th or 18th October. They were in Mr. cover what defendant had already paid himself And at the time you bought Mr. Smith's share required to pay the ship's dues. That money I conclusion, Mr. Robinson said even suppost case. If the provision of law under which the Ewens's name, and as we had no means of know- commission to the amount of \$360, calculated at am for \$3,700 you had sold the vessel for \$12,000 p drew in advance from the charterers on account ing that there had been any violation of the Or- conviction took place was an imperative pro- ing how Mr. Ewens became registered owner of three per cent. on \$12,000, the proceeds of carly days of the Colony. On enquiry, however, of the next month's charter money. After dinance, the appellant was perfectly ignorant vision and not merely a directory provision, no the vessel, there were some difficulties with the the sale of the Mary Austin in the Straits into the circumstances it was found that the Does Mr. Smith know that you sold it for that paying themselves Mesers, Scott & Co. wrote to that he was committing any offence. He was amount of waiver on the part of private indivi- lawyers. For the seventeen days in Penang Settlements; his passage from Singapore to amount? I suppose so. His power of attorney me and told me that they would no longer act as simply carrying out a practice which was sanc. duals could possibly affect it. The Opium my board and carriage hire amounted to \$60. Hongkong amounting to \$65; and \$ 0 for wages was here, and I suppose he was told. Besides agents for the ship. I telegraphed this to Mr. tioned by the Superintendent of Imports and Ordinance was not a private or quasi-private or quasi-pri Mr. Smith still owes me about \$3,000 in con- Pitman. Mr. Pitman wrote to me that he con- Exports. If one had acted contrary to the sec- Act, but was a public Act, conceived in the only charged for half a month. sidered the agents were not advancing the tion of the Ordinance so had the other, and they, public interest of any | Cross-examined by Mr. Webber-My first ber , 1886, Captain Scott was appointed to the Have you ever told Mr. Smith that at the interests of the ship, and he did not care whether might just as well have put the Superintendent particular Farmer. Its object was to protect conversation with the plaintiff about selling the command of the Mary Austin. He was then in time you purchased his shire for \$3,700 you they gave up the agency or not. He said he in the dock with the appellant and have con- the powers necessary to constitute a Farm. The ship was in November, 1886. I was then going Penang, and owing the some difficulties could learned counsel quoted from Wallace on Statutes down to take charge of the Mary Austin. I not take command. He came up to Hongkong asked me to do the best I could for him and the The Attorney-General, in replying said he in support of his contention that the form of took command of her on the 20th November, and returned armed with certain letters and ship. My daties then were those of an agent thought it would be convenient to follow schedule D. to the Ordinance was an absolute 1886. From that time till October, 1887, no power of attorney. Before leaving he had a

undertaken in the name of the excise officer, his it up. He says—"The opinin to be retained

within the meaning of the not. He submitted The Chief Justice—This makes a difference. pointment in the price realized for this vessel; that reading the section as it stood this was a It seems to me if it had been a small fine, if the possibly he thought that by conducting the sale that was judgment for the plaintiff for \$90. moving for the purposes of exportation. It was | Magistrate was clear on the subject of the law | in-that-silent-manner in which he did it, he either in itself an act of exportation or an act in | and he had inflicted a fine of 10 cents and given | would be able to put in his own pocket a much

The Chief Justice-I think \$20 a very sub- put it to his Lordship broadly whether he conand the whole Ordinance were the proper lights Mr. Robinson-It was only on on the last day I vessel would sell his co-owner's share in this Mr. Robinson, instructed by Mr. Ewens, ap. to be brought to bear upon it to aid them in of the case that they asked for a nominal penalty. secret manner and at the same time buy his co-\$180 per month as wages, which was to peared on behalf of the appellant; the Attorney- arriving at a proper conclusion. The next point -The learned counsel then went on to reply owner's share at a much less price putting into BEFORE HON. J. Russell, Acring Chief include everything. He was of course to General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley) instructed by raised was that this was not an act within the to the Attorney-General's argument. He said his own pocket the profit, unknown to the corrective anything necessary for the require. Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, appeared for the meaning of the Ordinance. The act complained the appellant had been put to the ignominy of owner, without telling him a single word about it ments of the vessel. When he arrived at Opium Farmer, and Mr. Webber watched the of was the moving of these thirty-two chests of an arrest and conviction for doing what he subt was a man who was likely to be making reliable Singapore he found the vessel in a dilapidated case on behalf of the owner of the opium seized. opium by the appellant, without having previously mitted was a prefectly legal act. The court statements ingiving evidence of this description? condition, and large sums were expended before Mr. Robinson said the case for the Court, obtained permission as required by the Ordinance. would construe a penal provision stringently. His Lordship remarked that it had been stated There was an 'insufficient sum available appellant been rightly convicted of an offence an application in form "C," he then moved hypothetical intention of the legislature. In time for this purpose, and Captain Scott had to ad- under Section 10 of Ordinance 22 of 1887 these thirty-two chests in such a manner that this case the opium was not being exported; to vance money from his own pocket on behalf of The appellant was convicted on the 14th no hold whatever could be kept on them. If this take it to the customs station to pay duty and that then the ship. In the meantime he went about try- January for that he did neglect, in moving were considered to be a legal and proper not bring it back again was a different thing from I

CROWN CASE RESERVED. BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

peared for the Crown.

ing them to have been stolen. He was convict- commission, he would ask his Lordship whetice, before whom the case was tried, instructed salary was a fair or reasonable one. evidence of unlawfully receiving as well as of selling the ship he was not entitled to wages for stealing. At the request of Mr. Robinson, doing the same work. In the account put in the the defendant's counsel, this point was re- claim was for half a month's salary, but since served, and now came on for argument.

recent possession was only evidence in a case of &c., in Penang. The legal point was, and pany. He had no right to any wages, so far as at Singapore I showed my letter of appointment, chen, or die, and he then went on to state the on the face of the document to show that the opinm that the accessary to quote any I am concerned, after the 1st October. The bills and was allowed to take charge of the vessel; object and scope of the permission so granted might be lamped with other opium or was not the thick he was entitled to an acquittal. authority to his Lordship, when the ship was sold of sale were sent to him as master of my ship. Previous to my departure, Mr. Pitman agreed The object was to meet the convenience of ship. taken in any other vessel than that mentioned. In the present case, he arged, the prisoner being defendant's wages cossed. He thought some He was a paid servant of mine, and could not to allow me \$180 per month, inclusive of mess pers, and that they might take the opium to the How were they to gather the extent of the a cargo beatman, the presumption that he re- weight should be given to the fact that after the expenses. Mr. Pitman told me at the time of hulk and bring it back to the junk. Mr. Seth said Opium Farmer's alleged assent? The document coived them in the ordinary course of his business transfer of the vessel had been made to the new and watercourses, and is generally covered with Cross-examined by Mr. Wetton-I have had my going to Singapore that if I could soll the that the stamp allowed the opium to be carried in was placed before his representative who put was stronger than the presumption that he reat least one hundred masters in my employ since vessel down there he would allow me three per any boat to the hulk, and in answer to Mr. Wotton his chop on it and all he gave his assent to was ceived them knowing them to have been stolen. although he said he got nothing for that voyage, I have been a shipowner. It has always been cent on the proceeds of the sale. On arriving he said that eventually the opinm would be put on what he saw before him. He gave his assent to ___ The Acting Chief Justice said Mr. Robinson my desire and practice to treat them liberally, at Singapore I found the vessel in a very board a certain junk. It was perfectly clear that what might be properly and legally done under at the trial arged the latter point very strong-

IN SUMMARY JURISUECTION

Before Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Puisne Judge. PITMAN V. SCOTT.

The hearing of this suit was resumed. Mr. Webber appeared for the plaintiff, and possibility of his not returning. He would ask Mr. Wotton for the defendant. The examination of Mr. Scott by Mr. Wotton client for the return of the passage money and was continued. The witness said—I charged the half-month's wages. wages from the 1st to the 15th October. As a

sale. There is still \$25 due to me on that ship. I thered that the exact amount was unknown to him. konoured. I was away with the Mary Austin in another about \$2,000, and eventually he wired to the commission, I think he did not say that I ovent of the ship being sold be would pay my cantions that no undue waste or depreciation opium was not to be carried over in the identical made to commission I had some little doubt about in the hands of Mr. Pitman he wired for a

> This concluded the evidence. sion. Two and a half I would not mind, but rant, and to take them before a Ma- was thought right by the defendant to appeal ration for the time he was employed after the having done so, without saying that Mr. Pit house, and the top of it (formed of loose jointed which was concluded when the vessel was sold on clusion, he found that there was a contract pletaly "choked-up" with solid offensive putridefendant had not chosen as he did to remain at | Hongkong. With regard to the wages, what | bottom being quite black with sewage of a depth ness, he would have been entitled to his transfer completed on the 1st October, and there was not that two or three deaths only had oc-

tion of commission, and he submitted that it was terests of Mr. Pitman, and remained there till grate, do not go into a drain at all. These and only reasonable that if defendant was engaged the 23rd October to complete the transfer." The similar cases only show, I think, the great nethen received a letter from Mr. Webber, plain- Ordinance. Assuming for the moment that the The Attorney General—It is only liable to on plaintiff's business, doing in fact the work of case must be looked upon in this way,—the captain cessity and importance of giving the Surveyora special agent, he was entitled to be remuner- had certain duties to perform outside those of General and the Sanitary Board increased powers bought Mr. Macgregor Smith's share in the ves. with him. He made me an offer to square the other objection except that the prosecution was . The Chief Justice—Well, why did not be give a special agenc, and the complete of inspection and of compelling property owners. The Chief Justice—Well, why did not be give a special agenc, and the complete of inspection and of compelling property owners. The Chief Justice—Well, why did not be give a special agenc, and the complete of inspection and of compelling property owners. remoneration as wages, which he did in ignorgram, about \$4,000 in debt. At the time Captain Mr. Webber-I dany ever having made such friend had not quoted a single authority to show pending the appeal." What is the meaning of ance, but it mattered not how he charged it so liabilities on the ship. His letter of the 2nd | Witness, continuing—I refused this offer as I The next point raised was that this was | The Attorney General made a suggestion | maneration, What Mr. Pitman evidently | were intended that this commission should cover | beginning with those at the upper levels, and October was the first I ever had of the three per considered I had not retained any money which not an act within the meaning of section 10. He which seemed to amuse himself and the Court, to thought was that if he got out of paying any all extra trouble. His judgment was therefore that the owner or agent to relay them. Should the did not perfectly apprehend the scope of that ob- the effect that perhaps the Magistrate thought commission to Captain Scott he would get out. jection, but he gathered from his friend that this the Court on the appeal would order it to be for- of paying it to any one else. Perhaps that was his object. He seemed to have had some disan-

> the process of exportation. The conduct of the up the opium, nothing would have been done. larger share than he had actually been able to parties themselves showed this. They applied The Attorney General—They only asked for pocket. In judging the evidence of these two for permits for export and were armed with a nominal fine and I suppose he thought \$20 a men it was necessary for his Lordship to take the men as he found them; and he (Mr. Wotton) sidered that a man who as managing owner of a in a liberal manner.

terial to the case, but he thought it was only fair to answer it. When the telegram came from Captain Scott showing that the ship was in difficulties, \$3,500 was immediately sent down to

him by Mr. Pitman. Mr. Pitman was already Mr. Pitman could already claim \$8,000, and his offer therefore to purchase Mr. Keswick's sbare for \$3,700 was made in perfectly good faith. With regard to the items, although his and Dozcon, appeared for the appellant. The Lordship seemed rather against him on the fendant had no right to any commission. If The appellant was charged at the Criminal however, his Lordship came to the conclusion Sessions with the larceny of certain goods, and | that there had been a special agreement made also with unlawfully receiving the same know- and that defendant was entitled to the

coming into Court he had made out, assisted by Mr. Robinson cited a number of anthorities in the ingenuity of his Counsel, that the claim support of his contention, and argued that was not for wages but the expenses of board.

he had admitted he expected to do so, and there could be no doubt that Captain Scott would make I had the greatest confidence in Captain Scott neglected state. Her machinery, boilers, and Commander Rumsey simply continued the case the form so chopped. What Mr. Seth's intended a verdict his arrangements before hand. He was clearly decaying vegetation. When once through this arrangements before hand. He was clearly decaying vegetation. When once through this arrangements before hand. He was clearly decaying vegetation. When once through this arrangements before hand. He was clearly decaying vegetation. not entitled to claim both the commission as soil, however, into the disintegrated granite or Without calling upon the Attorney General agent and wages as master. As to the question from his treatment of me, and his rendering of From the time I took command I ran the vessel any boat and bring it back to the junk. The used it is a manner which would enable them to to reply, the Court dismissed Mr. Robinson's of passage money, captain Scott signed articles at Penang, and he was therefore entitled to be discharged in Penanc. He cortainly could not claim to be brought back to Hongkong. His Lordship-Not in the absence of any

Mr. Webber said that there was no evidence of such agreement. The fact of Mr. Pitman having sent to him and told him after the vesse was sold: that if he returned to Hongkong and could bring back any orders with him, he would give him a commission, showed that there was a his Lordship at least to give judgment for his

His Lordship said he thought he saw his way the case appeared shortly to be that in Novem-

such I advanced money to the extent of \$1,787 sel for the appollant and address himself could therefore only be granted in the express about commission on the sale of the ship. When Pitman told him to be very careful how he ran have no right to put the case in that way. Mr. Had I not done this the working of the ship the part of the Opium Farmer. With reference matter, namely, the furnishing of false or im my mind that I should receive the commission, ship to pay him three per cent commission. but as the contract was completed I thought it Captain Scott went down to Penang and took had got an offer of \$12,000 for the steamer, and have forfeited the charter money for the the Opinm Farmer would speak for itself, and The Chief Justice said the court would not as well to remind plaintiff of his promise. We command of the vessel, and he appeared to have would most likely make something over it, and two months the charter had yet to run, he (the Attorney-General) was not called upon trouble the Attorney-General on that point; the ceased to have any agents for the ship in Singa- had to contend with considerable difficulties. Mr. McClymont said they [did not care if I and probably the sale would never have been to justify the position he had taken up appellant did not make any representation at all. pore in August. In my letter of the 3rd April There were quarrels at the time between the made \$10,000 over it; they wanted to get rid of effected. While Messrs. Scott & Co. were the with regard to this matter. But this he The Attorney Coneral, continuing, said the I offered under certain conditions to act as agent agents and the managing owner, and on the 3rd

> was returned to the Bank, and forwarded sion, he found that the plaintiff in his examin-

now, but he would have to return the wages he tain to do much good in this respect. deducted from the sum drawn from the Bank,

Mr. Wotton-As to costs, my lord, I would ask that each party pay their own. His Lordship-That is the order I was about to make. Captain Stott appears to have taken is one to know how to lay his house drain or what considerable trouble in the matter and to have inclination to give it? The sewers must be laid incurred great risks, and Mr. Pitman has himself said that he has wished to treat defendant drains in any town being laid before the sewers

CRIMINAL SESSIONS. JUSTICE. RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.

Kwok Achai, convicted of receiving stelen property, was brought up for sentence.

His Lordship remarked that it had been stated His Lordship said there could be no question there were \$4,000 liabilities on the vessel at the whatever as to prisoner's guilt. The only question was whether he had not had a hand in the Mr. Wotton said the plaintiff did not know robbery as well. He was found with those eight that then.

bags of cigars as well as eighty-three hoxes in

Mr. Webber maintained that he did know it, his beat, where he had had them for some consiing to find a purchaser for the steamor. He the opium for exportation, to send a requisi they might have all the opium in the colony exporting it; but the Attorney General contend- and added that apart from that it was the derable time. It was proved up to the hilt that space re Dock Company. I have read the had a great deal of trouble, as was shown tion to the Superintendent of Imports and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages who pressed on the sale and going about in sampans, in large or small quantile ed they must take the word in its etymological mortgages. about the sale. The necessary papers were sent therein required. The appellant was fined the slightest control over it. In this case they contrary, that following the rule of constraining but explicit. The Chairdown by Mr. Ewens, the mortgagee, and then merely nomical sum of \$20. Of course if he were had the appellant experting opium without have at once man calls our attention to the fact that the kong and handed in the papers and vouchers to and therefore the case was an important one, ber of packages to be experted. It was true he opium duties they would not convict thought it was a transaction which to say the by the Police. The receiver was worse than the me, of deprecating adverse criticism; but looking me. He mentioned the commission to The points of law he intended to raise were five. had seven different permits for the expert of him for doing so. If the act complained least of it could not be called open, straightfor- thief. It was mentioned the commission to The points of law he intended to raise were five. had seven different permits for the expert of him for doing so. If the act complained least of it could not be called open, straightfor- thief. It was mentioned the commission to The points of law he intended to raise were five. had seven different permits for the expert of him for doing so. If the act complained least of it could not be called open, straightfor- thief. It was mentioned the commission to The points of law he intended to raise were five. Mr. Ewens and Mr. Ewens said he thought it First, the excise officer had no power to prospect seven small quantities, but the form of requisi- of constituted an infringement of some other ward dealing. If Mr. Pitman was purchasing facility to this yes to dispose of their plunder by general, and the record within the past-eighteen was a fair and reasonable one, but added that in this particular case; second, that a section of the Ordinance, that would not support from the mortgagee, being ready at all times to satisfy the first our own Company in particular,

CORRESPONDENCE. We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinious

expressed by our Correspondents! FEVER IN HONGKONG AND ITS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." Sin,-Having referred in your leader of yesterday to earth-cutting as a probable cause of the ate epidemic of fever in the Western District, I should be glad if you wilt kindly allow me to make the following remarks on this and other subjects in connection with it, as they may possibly interest you and some of your readers. I may state that I purposed mentioning them when before the Commissioners, but was not allowed an owner of half of the ship, so that of the \$12,000 opportunity of doing so. These remarks are based on my own personal observations as an onginear and a long resident in the above District. Without unticipating in any way the Report of the Fever Commissioners, I vanture to think thut the cause of the late epidemic of forer will be found in one if not all of the following

> 1.—Earth Cutting. 2.—The wet marshy patches of ground in certain parts of the District. 3.—In the defective and inefficient sewers and onise drains. ————

causes :-

I think it will be generally admitted that the exhalations from some kinds of newly turned up earth and marshy soils do cause malarial fever, but not all. The soil in this Colony, which, in my opinion, causes pure malarial fever, is the top stratum of productive soil overlying the disintegrated granite and red ourth. I cel pretty certain in my own mind, for reasons to be stated hereafter, that neither the disintegrated granite nor the red earth are the cause of

fever -Che ton soil however is absorbent of water: it is found all over the island, on the hill sides, and in hollows and places near streams inches to three or four feet, and is found in "potholes," and is generally covered with rotten or red earth I do not think any danger need be

It is generally thought that some, but not all. of the residents in the district may have got the fever from the newly turned up earth in connection with the building of the new villas and the construction of the new reads, which have been carried out during the last two years, and I think this is more than probable. In connection with this subject, I may state

that during the whole time we were engaged npon the following extensive reclamations and other works, on which many thousands of persons were employed, little or no fover occurred among the coolies—all the excavations for which were in the disintegrated granite or red earth—viz:, the reclamation of ground at Quarry Bay for the Taikoo Sugar Relinery; filling in the oreshore at Kowloon between the Royal Naval-Yard and Tsim Tsa-tsui Wharf; the Admiralty Dock, Hung-ham; and the extensive reclamations at Kennedy-town and Canseway Bay. .

I am of course aware of the great mortality forming the site for the barracks and parade

As already stated before the Commissioners. there are several marshy places in the Western District, where the water, after heavy rains, stands in pools till it either percolates away or is evaporated. The worst place, however, has not been referred to by the Commissioners, and that is the one below the No. 1 Tank and Dr. Lewer's house. I have noticed this wet place almost daily for years past, and feel pretty certain that the water, or the major portion of it, does not come from natural springs, but is due to a leakin the large granite water tank immediately above. No mat-

ter how dry the other streams in the acighboarhood may be, this little basin is always saturated with water, and men, women, and children may be seen gathering it all the vent round. I am well aware that the officers of the Public Works Department think otherwise as to the cause of this constant accumulation of water at this place. the agents handed me over \$370, when they gave the agents resigned, a letter from the plaintiff and my knowledge of this fact has been the reatheir resignation crossed my letter of dismissal. was handed over to the Chinese purchasers. As regards his bona fides, the Opinm Farmer The Chief Justice said there was this difficulty up the agency, the running expenses of the vos-

As stated before the Commission the other ciently drained at a comparatively small cost, and the water led into the public sowers, where it already finds its way.

Much has been said about the existing sowers. and their vontilation, and having read the ovidence of the Hou. J. M. Price, Messrs. Bowdler and Cooper, I adhere to my statement that they are not properly and efficiently ventilated and never will be till more ventilators, with Latham charcoal filters, for filtering the noxious sewer gas and thus rendering it incliensive, as in Croydon. London, and other towns, are constructed on the lines of the sewers themselves. I must express my surprise at the evidence given by the newly arrived Sanitary Surveyor on this subject, and

can only attribute it to a misunderstanding. While on the subject of house drains, I think the Commissioners might have obtained some more and important information as to their condition. Having had some experience of them I can unhesitatingly assert that a very great number of them are "drains" only in name. I refer more particularly to those in some of the large old the bank, and after deducting \$3,200 the balance private houses, for which no one now in the Colony can be held responsible. We have (in the told him that agents in Singapore would not have deferred writing because I think you are the attempt to enforce, and enforce strictly, the Farmer or any one in his interest ever knew the Ewens being the registered owner of the Mary to Mr. Pitman. Comparing for a moment the last statement to enforce, and enforce strictly, the Farmer or any one in his interest ever knew the last statement to enforce, and enforce strictly, the Farmer or any one in his interest ever knew the last statement to enforce, and enforce strictly, the Farmer or any one in his interest ever knew the last statement to enforce, and enforce strictly, the last statement to enforce and enforce strictly, the last statement to enforce and enforce strictly. parently no reason whatever for their being solaid. ation-in-chief swore that he made no such pro- On one occasion only last year, when superin-"When I promised you your commission I ex. some time, I received a letter from him and such a case as that now before the Court he was sent case. There was nothing to show that | Mr. Wotton, in addressing his Lordship for mise, but when he came to be cross examined tending the alterations to a large villa (which pected to get more out of the vessel." I told afterwards saw him. I met him in his house, not an eligible prosecutor, and the learned they knew anything more as to what would the defence, said there were three questions to he said he did not think he had. On the other will had obtained an unenviable reputation as be-

commission if his Lordship believed the evi- fore in the ordinary course the captain-would no curred, but that any one who had resided there Mr. Wotton, at this point, put in a number of only thing in dispute. He said it was, and said ed there was nothing whatever to prevent an The Attorney-General—It is out on bond, dence as to the agreement made between longer continue on the ship and would not be enthem. Therefore, anything defendant did after titled to any wages after that date, but what many other houses in the Colony in a similar if you sell the ship I will give you three per (of old as well as new houses) to lay down good cent commission." The captain was not in the same | and efficient house drains. This can only be done long as it might be looked upon simply as re- position as a broker, and it appeared as though it by having a thorough house to house inspection, was entitled to the commission and passage mo- new Health Ordinance become law, it will be cer-

I noted Mr. Price's remarks as to house drains and their ventilation, and I most certainly do not agree with him in his statements that the house drains must be put in order before the sewers. Until the new sewers are laid (and ventilated), how first. I have never known or heard of house into which they were to discharge were constructed.' Most of the sewers here are not laid deen enough: the inverts should be at least ten feet below the surface of the read, so that the drain from, say, a Chinese house lifty feet in depth can have a good fall into the sower, which very few

of them have at present.—Yours faithfully, WM. DANBY. Hongkong, 29th February, 1888. THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA

DOCK COMPANY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." Sir Again permit me to trespass on your something wrong in the matter. Any man post gret that the information he has to afford us getting it as the steamer had not realised within the meaning of section in, third, which they were to be exported. What he man proved he did not have told him that he bad effected, or as good as dations so common in the Colony. His sentence confidence and reliance on the business judg-

and for this they alone are to blame. The want

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of confidence at present existing between shareholders and directors is against the best interests of all concerned, and it lies with directors | eighth H.M. has paid during the Prince's Iliness. | run away. At the meeting on the 27th ult, I should have tions for the Peitsai degree personating canbeen glad to, have asked the Chairman a ques- didates and doing their escays for them. All coution or two had I been able to attend, but per corned—the culprits themselves, their employers, haps some shareholder will be kind enough to and the officers who allowed the fraud to be comafford me the information I desire. Holding mitted—to be brought up and punished with more the opinion I do that the value of the property or less severity. in toto is fur in excess of its earning power, I Tremendons fire reported at the capital of would ask how long is this outlay on so-called Kweichow province; 1,370 families burnt out. broken. improvements to continue! Bad as last year The authorities subsequently distributed sums undoubtedly was, Kowloon Dook was increased | ranging from 1 to 2 taels to the sufferers to meet in value \$25,557.84. Would it not be judicious, their immediate needs. instead of spending unnecessarily money they have not got to wait until it is earned, and so avoid increasing the present incubus of an interest Mosque. Three of the thieves have since been

New Dock.—Would it not have been fair to months' imprisonment. the shareholders to have afforded them further information in this connection, and explained has crept in in connection with the foundling. more fully why the original estimates have been hospital at Huichou Fu. The establishment of by Literary Chancellor against frauds at the so enormously exceeded; and, considering the the hospital has stopped infenticide, but the nurenormous increase in cost, if the Admiralty ses fraudulently get charge of more children could not be approached with the object of than they can nurse, and the starving little chilobtaining a further increase in their grant f The original estimates for the New Dock to a life of infamy. were under \$400,000. Up to date of December. 1887, there has been expended on it (vide Report) sequence of the Government ordering the \$709,843.31, and at date one hundred and ten feet | various Chinese houses to be measured. No exstill remains to be finished, the pumping ma planation being given, the Chinese suppose it is some days ago. chinery, sheds, &c., &c., to be still erected, and to I with a view to the lavy of some new or increased do this the Company will require at a reasonable tax. Macao is not, the editor says, a happy place. estimate to borrow at least \$200,000 more, bring- A clam fisher finds a man's hand in his net; it Fu. ing the cost of the Dook up to, in round figures, had been apparently out off. \$1,000,000, and exceeding the original estimate. Notice of the loss of the steamer Swatow. by the huge amount of \$600,000.

loans I approach with some diffidence. Assum- prompt him. ing it to be true, until contradicted, that the Company is indebted to its secretary to the the good work of establishing a public cemetery extent of \$200,000, am I right in inferring that for the burial of those who have no friends to previous to putting themselves under obligations bury them. The amount is not mentioned, but to a paid servant of the Company, however the essay will be carved on stone and set up at valued, the Directors had exhausted all other the cometery just established at Sichiao. means of obtaining the required loan on fair and

reasonable terms? Opposition .- I think in considering the position | Hongkong and Shanghai papers. of the Company this ought not to be lost sight of, and the matter is pertinent to our inquiries. A patent slip with hydraulic machinery to lift 2,200 tons could be laid down in Hongkong for

There are two suitable sites where such owned by two of the shrewdest business men in. the colony. Further comment here is needless-I have been asked what possible good I anticipate from this letter, and I would, in seply, simply quote the golden rule of "doing unit others." &c. Had I been aware of the true position of the Company I never would have in vested a large portion of my means in it ; being a heavy loser along with many others who can less well afford it, I have taken the trouble to try to elucidate the mysteries (to many others as well as myself) of our Directors' reports. In conclusion, just one word personally to our selection of ladies for the Palace from. Chairman. He says in his speech that-" It will be fresh in the memory of some of you that pressure has on more than one occasion exercises is to be held in the Tzi Kuang Hall been brought to bear by shareholders upon the directors to divide a larger sum than

the Board deemed prudent." It is to protect the investing public against such shareholders that men like himself and others, independent of such pressure and above suspicion, are placed by investors as guardians over their property. The true interests of the Company as a whole and not of speculative shareholders ought to be their constant object. In writing this letter I do so under my own name, without any motive but that I have men-

tioned. Apologising for intruding on your space ench length, Your obedient servant,

ROBERT TALBOT. Hougkong, 2nd March, 1888. MEETINGS OF LOCAL COMPANIES

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS." SIR,—The correspondence which has lately isters, has received a memorial from the gentry appeared in the newspapers with regard to the at Chi-nan Fu to the effect that there will affairs of our local Companies would appear to be trouble in Shantung if the Yellow River is dicate that shareholders are beginning to take is diverted to its old bed, and begging him, in more than a passive interest in their manage. view of the sufferings of the people there, to take ment. But the grave accusation which has been pity on them and refuse to listen to any propublicly insinuated of directors keeping share- por holders in ignorance of the true position of Eight criminals decapitated on the 18th of the from their homes. The eldest brother, however if it exists.

why should not shareholders also have access to once and commenced operations. this information by being allowed to peruse the minutes recorded of such monthly meetings, if necessary paying a small fee for the privilege? whole year. This period is much too long, for Although one was very much averse to doing so obvious reasons; especially in the case of indus- after a two days' trial an arrangement was come meetings take place this week. There ought to fend or to a case in court. the directors as well as the shareholders.

demonstration or argument.-I am, Sir, yours an old love faithfully. AN INVESTING SHAREHOLDER.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1888.

SUMMARY OF THE "KWANG-PAO."

The following is a summary of the contents the Kwang-pao of February 28th :---Notice of Dr. Happer's proposed College

LEADING ARTICLE. Leading article on the numerous institutionfor the encouragement of study established by the present and former Viceroys of Cauton; highs ly laudatory of the abilities of the Cantonese which, helped by these Colleges, give good hope that in the future many leading statesmen w spring from the crowd of scholars who are culf veting their talents in them.

Story of a man in the Western Suburb goin mad and inflicting serious injury on himself with a kitchen chopper, which he seemed to think would prove a good diuretic.

Numerous breaks in the telegraph lines report. ed. Communication interrupted pending the lines at Foochow, at Shao-hsing, Chia-haing, and Hangchow being repaired. A Juliet wins her Romeo by taking opium in insufficient quantity to cause her death but enough to frighten her relatives. onlid picks up some melted dollars poking

about the ruins of a burnt house. He is allowed by Chinese law to keep his finding. Passage bout attacked by pirates at Pachon in the Pun-yn district; several hundred dollars' geographical notes regarding it. worth of plunder carried off.

Thief caught trying to commit burglary in the Western Suburb. in Hongkong. Accident in a gunshop: a customer hurt by

the explosion of a percussion cap.

A pawnbroker made to pay \$2 for breaking the head of a customer who had got into a quar- 11 a.m. rel with him over the amount to be advanced on some clothes he was pawning.

A bill collector claiming that a debter had paid short, the dispute is settled by the latter going to the temple, cutting off a cock's head, and swearing that he had paid in full. As there is no penalty for false swearing many debtors in other places would probably wish for the introduction of so simple a means of getting out of their difficulties. The usual extracts from Peking Gazettes and

Hongkong and Shanghai papera. Names of successful candidates at the monthly examination in the Ying Yuan College. Further contributions amounting to Tls. 293 to the Yellow River Fund.

and of those to whom H.M. sent meats on that shout the city.

Notice of the robbery of the shop of a Moor-

l man at Macao during the owner's absence at caught, and, the editor hears, sentenced to six able man to fill the permanent post of Prefect Some reforms instituted of an abuse which

dren-die, or if they sprvive it is only to be sold Some excitement reported at Macao in con-

A ghost of a Chinaman who went to the gold The interest and working expenses (as pump- fields some dozen years ago appears to his son ing, &c.) of this New Dock when finished will and advises him to set up as a doctor and pracalone absorb say, \$70,000 per annum of the Com. tise the system of curing diseases by spells written on paper, burnt, and the auhes adminis-The question of the disposal of the Company's tered in water, promising to be always by and

Notice of a prize offered for the best essay on Three petty appointments gazetted.

Usual extracts from Peling Gazeties and

lst March. PERING NEWS. Instead of a leading article a summary is

given of Peking news. The congratulations of the season are to be can be shipped abroad. Patent Slip could be erected, and they are both presented the Empress in accordance with the presented, Chen Wang to Pe Wang, Ching Wang, ed off, were caught yesterday and handed over and Ke Wang, and pieces of silk to several inferior to the authorities. One of them is a noted thief. prince and distinguished members of the Im- who rejoices in the soubriquet of "The Joll Tis. 2 to be given the men of the body-gnard

in recognition of their arduous service during at the Huichow examinations. Care is to be taken that all clicible girls. i.e. daughters of boyars, &c., over 23 are entered in the list to be presented Her Majesty to make a The annual reception of the Mongol Princes &c., and the accompanying feast and martia

His Majesty has been pleased to pass over the failure of several of the Mongol Princes to reply intelligibly when presented to him: some could only speak in Mongolian : some not at all. Various Provincial officers having failed to

His Majesty they are in future to go to their respective Boards the day before the presentation and rehearse the ceremony. Measures to be taken to put a stop to a practice growing among the beggars of squeezing the hawkers by cutting themselves if they are refused alms and letting the blood trickle over the

observe the proper etiquette when presented to

wares exposed for sale: Attempted suicide of a pork dealer who had lost some \$300 on a speculation on 200 pigs. Gazette shortly to come out with a new batch of virtuous widows, etc., to whom honorary tablets have been decreed Tribute of martens furs forwarded by Comman-

dant in Miacutai. Gen Tan-chee, one of the four Prime Min-

affairs, and making use of such knowledge for 12th moon in the Vegetable Market at Peking. their own private ends, has so far not produced | Some 2,000 or 3,000 people went to see the execuany suggestions for trying to modify the evil, tion. The culprits shewed a good deal of bravado. Li Hung-tsao and his colleagues, on their way ing business prosperity, and they ascribed it The directors of the principal Companies meet | back to Peking, are met by a pe emptory decree once a month, when certain information is laid ordering them to set to work in Kiang nan with mony, however, did not prevail in the patriar before them of their working up to date: now, all despatch, and they accordingly returned at chal family, and so the brothers separated, two

List of various appointments. LOCAL NEWS. Notice of the settlement of a Feng-shui At present the shareholders of some Companies dispute in Sin ning. The Magistrate insisted are kept in total darkness of their working for a on both parties coming before him in person. tries such as the Kowloon Wharf Company and to the Editor says. Whenever you build a other, took passage in the ill-fated steamer Wa the Sugar Refineries, whose annual general house at Sin-ning it gives rise either to a clan Yeung for Canton, and perished with the burn-

be general meetings of shareholders every six An elopement from Macao, a servant girl gomonths, as with the Dock Company, Steamboat ing off with some clothes to pay her passage bedies for interment in the ancestral village, but Company, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, with and returning to a former master, who reetc. Such a proposal at the forthcoming meet- coived her with open arms. Her Macao master son of the eldest brother also died. Thus the she would not have taken the clothes if she had father were interred in the site they had con-Its desirability on all grounds scarcely needs had any money, and only ran away to marry demned they would die away from their homes

> of 20 or 30 robbers.—Not being satisfied with the farmer, and are holding him as hostage. Story of a juggler in Honam running a boy through with a sharp sword and thereby excit- THE TAOTAL AND THE SHANGHA ing the compassion of the bystanders. When all the cash are collected he withdraws the sword. and the boy gets up as well as ever. On the occasion referred to the boy appears to have attempted a second collection on his own account by lying down and saying he felt had in-lateting that the members of the Paper Hunt side after the juggler had left, but another jug- | Club had subscribed a sum of Tls. 123.8 and had

The roof of a pawnshop in the Western sub- the relief operations. In this act I clearly see A woman swallows a needle, which sticks in of your countrymen in thus, without any feeling her throat some three days; she is cured by of national distinction, enabling the distressed swallowing some askes of an old bamboo brush people to share their bounty, and I am exceed- indigo is produced in Manchuria is given by a will not usually dissolve iron.

Suburb luckily fails, the match going out. Extracts from Feling Gazettes and Hongkong | 9th February, 1888. and Shanghai papers. H. E. the Viceroy has received a reply to his memorial requesting permission to visit the

with an Honorary Tablet. LEADING ARTICLE

Leading article quoting Richtofen's views in

flourishing in that Profecture.

being kept at the library study there.

Piracy of a fishing boat reported at Chu-pai-

A widow woman, unable to collect her rent vents her wrath on a neighbour who ventures to advise her, with the result that they have a scrimmage and she gets one of her carrings Notice of the rescue of four men from a shipwrecked junk by the steamboat Honom - They following extracts from a letter from Berlin had been two days and, nights on the wreck when

pgo. The Governor of Kwang-si is to choose an of Kwei-lin. Chi-pang recommended to fill the post rendered vacant by the change. Extracts from Peking Gazettes .- Proclamation

Extracts from Hongkong and Shanghai papers. Lists of the successful candidates at the ex-

Description of one of the New Year's amusereward being give the person able to answer tracts, for which advances Government loans indefensible, it must nevertheless be conceded

prospective father-in-law having removed his months. flitted to unknown parts, which so affects the robper's spirits that he goes mad and kills himself. Account of a barracoon said to exist at Macao under the cleak of a lodging house. Persons property are seized and kept prisoner till they | tie works are indulgatin.

Three thieves engaged in the robbery of the gambling house near the Wu-hsien Men in which A box of silk tassels for their cups are to be more than Tls. 1,300 worth of plunder was carri-

> Numbers of the candidates who have entered Fight in a theatre at Fatshan between two me who had previously quarrelled : one slightly hurt Three robbers, for whom rewards had been offered, arrested at Fatshan. Suggestion that the law against catching small birds which exists in the Sun-hui district

should be applied in other places. ready brought disgrace upon them by taking to payment. The hardships caused by such lavish-The brother of two Mandarins who had a evil courses arrested a second time for stealing. Contribution of \$100 to the Yellow River Fund by certain fair ladies living in the Flower Boats.

Extrasts from Politing Gasetice. Thomes at the examination in Huichow. Notice that in consequence of the constant disputes and litigations ensuing, the collection of the police tax on pigs at Kong-moon will future be collected by the Lekin authorities and not through the dealers as heretofore.

A "FENG-SUUI" STORY

The Shih-pao writes: - Feng-shui is a matte that one should not implicitly believe, and yet it is sometimes impossible to discredit it. is shown by the following anecdote:—In one of the villages in Kwangtung a paterfamilias by the surname of Wang died, leaving four sons. The eldest of these sons selected what appeared to him an auspicious spot for the deceased's burin but the youngersons objected to the contiguration of the site as bad feng-shui. They declared that the spot was too much exposed to the sun and was, moreover, confronted by an unlucky It appears, therefore, that each article of the had his own way, and the deceased father was buried in the site originally selected. After the lapse of ten years, the four brothers were all enjoythe good feng shui of their father's tomb. remaining in the village and two moving to Hongkong. About two months ago, when the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee occurred at Hongkong, the two brothers in the village pro ceeded there to behold the sights; and at ti conclusion of the jubilee, they, together with one of the brothers who had moved to Hongkone I though their intentions were not known to each ing wreck. Efforts were made by the sons of these unfortunate brothers to recover the was accurately verified. Others who are les A farm-house in Sun-hui plundered by a gang | credulous in feng-shui declare that this fate wa

in vair, and a few days after the disaster the ings should meet with the unanimous support of had advertised for her, accepts the explantion that prediction of the younger brothers that if their does. The basis of Mr. Beach's method is the sent by Heaven to these brothers on account of plunder they found there they carried off the their implous an imosity towards each other during finals, of which he makes a kind of alphabet.

PAPER HUNT. The Hu-pao has published the following des

patch from the Tantai Kuno :--I have received your note of the 7th of February gler being found he is promptly set on his legs requested you to forward it to me for transmission to the suffering districts of Honan in aid of the zeal for doing good which animates the hearts

To P. J. Hughes, Esq.,

and evince a desire to assist their fellow creatures, of catties are turned out of those primitive the High Commissioner will organise a police to leave Shanghai at daylight on Saturdays during the term of the contract any other Beward offered for the recovery of a boy of In transferring their aid from those who do not manufactories every year.

Notice of a visit paid Prince Chun by the 15, who had left his home some days back, and to those who do argently need it, they further Emperor on the 20th of the 12th moon, the locing his clothes, &c. at a gambling house has show both their henevolence and their right judgment. It is out of respect for their sction Three men caught at the Hanchow examina- A child badly bitten by a dog in the Western in this regard that we pen the above lines in m mandation of their conduct. both by way recording their friendly not, and by way of impressing the country people with a proper sens of shame for their behaviour. - Daily News.

THE NEW GERMAN-CHINESE

We (Daily News) have been favoured with the the new German bank :-The members of the Syndicate are most Special telegram from Peking to the Kwang- powerful. I do not know all of them, but Koniglich Sechundlung Deutsche Bank, Bleichroder. Krupp, Stern, Warschauer, -these last two always run coupled-are among them, and three others equally strong. At first there were two distinct groups with the same object, but by Government persuation they have been merge into one. The movement is furthered by the German Minister at Peking, who has given Proclamation by Po Wanyu Magistrates for- couragements of a specific nature, of the exact bidding the letting off of fireworks in the city, nature only the initiated know. I darsay the several fires having been caused by the practice. Chinese authorities have held out a certain readi-\$100 reward offered for the arrest of the prin- ness to favour German nationals in Government cipal and \$50 for that of any of the subordinates contracts, and to push German interests_still in a gang robbery which occurred in the city | more, Herr Von Brandt takes a German bank in China to be a necessity. The idea in starting the bank is not exactly to make money by bankaminations in the five district cities of Huechou- ing,—though of course an eye is cast in that direction also-but the chief object is to get Government contracts either for the bank or for their protegés, such as Krupp, to make money ont of these contracts and to offer together with ment Prize Riddler winted on Lanterns, a small their tenders the money to carry out the con-

are to be floated in Europe.

spread gradually to other places in the East as ouirements may demand

CHINESE GOVERNMENT AN

FORCELATY MANUFACTURE. Under the Ming Dynasty the porcelain monufacturers of China used to be subjected to exactions of a most oppressive character. The practice was to nominate ennuchs, who superintended the making of the ware and escorted it subsequently to Peking. Through them orders for the amount required by the Palace were transmitted, and such was the extravagance of the Imperial Court that in 1571 no less than 105,770 pairs of things were ordered, and in 1680, 96,000 pieces. The people were required to supply the labour and most of the materials for these numerous specimens with little if any ness inspired the pens of not a few censors, who ventured to rebuke the luxury of the court, and to recall the anstere habits of the model Emperor Shun. Under the present dynasty, sovereigns like Kang-hai, Chien-lang, and Yung-ching, though they lived in times when the potter's art had reached its very some of excellence, were careful that their patronage should not be oppressive. Coming down to more recent times. however, it may be doubted whether even exactions similar to those of the Ming sybarites would not have served the cause of keramics l better than the apathy into which the court fell. Still, the porcelain manufacture has never been completely neglected. Even now the annual allowance to the Imperial Manufactory at Kinking is Tls. 10,000, and from a report furnished by the Superintendent of the Kiukiang Customs we learn that the usual yearly order for the use of the Palace is 80 articles of square, and 1.204 of round, pattern. Last year, however, owing probably to the approacing marrisgo ceremonial of the Emperor, a special order was given for 5,856 plates, cups, saucers, and sacrificial utensils, in connection with which an additional expenditure was incurred of Tis. 17,668,

CHINESE SHORTHAND. The Chinese Times says :- An interesting and highly ingenious experiment has been made by the Rev. Mr. Beach, of Tung Chow, to represent the Chinese spoken language by a system of clear and simple phonetic symbols, more or less after the Pitman style. The question of romanizing Chinese has long exercised the minds of missionaries, and considerable success has attended their efforts in the South of China to turn the system to practical account. All attempts to render Chinese phonetically are necessarily open to the objection that they cannot be universally applied owing to the diversity of dialect; hence the romanized books in circulation in the South are not available for the people of the North. And Mr. Beach's system of stenographic symbols, while probably more susceptible of extension than the romanizing system, does not profess to go farther than Wade's Pekingese division of every monosyllabic world in Chinese into two component parts, an initial and a final. "an idea already familiar to the Chinese the fan ch'ich of the Wu-fang-yuan-yin," and the author finds he can accomplish his purpose There are still a few eyliables which require extra symbols, and the tones have also to be indicated by a set of subsidiary marks, but the author declares that an educated foreigner can learn the system in from two to five hours and Chinese in from ten lessons to five months according to capacity. It would be difficult to explain the system more fully without the book which has been printed at the "A.B.C.M. Press" in Peking—a good nitue; by the way, for the parent of a new siphabet.

INDIGO PRODUCTION IN MANCHURIA. The following interesting account of how in water, the needle disappearing, which the ingly touched and grateful. I have remitted correspondent of the Chinese Times -On leaving changes in the standing of the States making up from Kelung to Tamsui. editor thinks strange as bamboo ashes and water the shows sum to Honan in aid of the suffering Hailung cheen brought under In the opinion of the Shanghai Courier "the of all his clients as to the particular breed of anidistricts, and I now beg to forward you this the eastern border of the Imperial forest A case of attempted arson in the Western reply, and to beg that you will give my best through a wide valley stretching from the city been thrown upon the subject from official in China. His latest move then to purchase the animals in the United States. It is attended to the donors. The usual compliments. To I tung-ho, a distance of over 100 miles. The usual compliments. The usual compliments. 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One followed with such attention that the London cor- first time illuminated by the electric light. It Capital, to the effect that there is no necessity for above :- The Paper Hunt Club is one of the respondent of the Rofterdam Courant recently de- is the intention of the Governor General to his doing so. H. E is at the same time honestred creations pursued under Western custom. The other valleys is indigo. Our attention was the cided to tap the fountain head of information. He light up the whole city, of Taipak fu by Western gentry and merchants resident in more directed to it here on account of the un. Host no time interviewing Mr. Alfred Dent, the electricity, but owing to the fact that some of Shanghai start this hunt in the country about usually large number of indigo tanks we met with | well known founder of the British North Borneo | the machinery arrived in Formosa in a somewhat north Shanghai by way of amusement for their in this valley. Every farmer, large or small, Company. Under the circumstances, Mr. Dent damaged condition, and which has to be repaired, leisure hours in the autumn and spring of every has got an indigo vat or vats attached to his was naturally reticent towards the correspondent, it will be a few weeks yet ere China can boast year. As injury is occasionally done to the farm as surely as he has got a threshing floor. but he let out sufficient to show that the North of having one of its empire's cities illuminated regard of the Yellow River and giving further fields and crops during the proceedings, when The plant, probably Polygonum Chinese, grows to Borneo question was fast ripening, and nearer a by this subtle agent. Who, after this, will say the hunt is over they give pecuniary compensa. a height of from two to three feet, and flowers solution than had been expected. The gist of that China is not progressing por tion for such damage as may appear to them to in the month of August. As soon as the flowers the information given by Mr. Dent comes to Some 6,792 students have sent in their names have been done, an annual arrangement which appear the plant is cut down and the work of showing that Sir Frederick Weld has sent to compete for the degree of Hein-tsai at the has now gained the force of custom. It some imaginaturing it at once proceeded with. Some imagination in the recent mission to the Notice of a paper mill about to be established | coming examinations at Huichow. Literature is | times happens, however, that some ignorant times the method of manufacture is simple in North Borneo States, and that the Home country-folk having this money in view, take the extreme, the only thing visible being a round Government had it under consideration for ly purchased in Hengkong for service on the Notice of the dates on which examinations for advantage of it to attempt extortion, and follow pit dug in the ground. 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mother selling the family estate; the clan intervening the family estate; the clan i established near the Vicercy's Yamen by the persons whose fields we may damage during addition there is nevally a large wooden trough, solving the North Borneo question. So far as on the 1st inst. at the China Merchants S. N. shewing the ideas of the Chinese in regard to gentry of Canton. Dr. Chen, who is versed in our amusement; but now these individuals called the shui knet placed between the available information goes, Sir Frederick recom. Co.'s offices, states that the ice in the River at long and the transport of troops property. Foreign as well as Chinese therapeutics, has been behave in a way which shews that they do not parallel vats. The latter are filled with the mends that Sarawak, Brunei, and British Tientain is melted near the Settlement, but that ment of new lines, and the transport of troops of the sarawak, Brunei, and British Tientain is melted near the Settlement, but that ment of new lines, and the transport of troops of this conplaced in charge, and will attend daily from 7 to appreciate our sentiments. High-minded men stems and flowers of the plant, and covered North Borneo should come under a direct near the Taku Baris still firm and hard Steamers and stores. According to the terms of the lines are to relieve those in need of it, but do not encourage with water, which is conveyed from the pend by British protectorate, and that a Resident were not to be despatched from Shanghai before tract the departures on most of the lines are to Notice of a circulating library established in greed. As the suffering people of Honen are an aqueduct. The indigo remains infusing in or High Commissioners should be appoint the 7th instant. connection with the Féng bu College. Some 200 st present in great need of food, what if we the tanks for twelve hours, by which time all ed to be stationed at Brunei. Whether The Daily News says that Captain Danielsen, Hanoi the service will be doubled, being made a borne of Historical and Classical and Class boxes of Historical and Classical works have transfer this sum in aid of them? The audience the dyo is supposed to be extracted, the liquid Singapore should form part of this federation, of the C.M.S.N. steamer Haschang, having been daily one with the exception of one day a week.

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GENERAL POST OFFICE TOKYO DESTROYED BY FIRE.

The General Post Office in Tokyo, situated Zaimoku-che, Nihonbasihi-ku, near Edobashi. says:--" The payment of the money orders and Rajah of Sarawak, who is dead against both a the help of machinery. the deposited money will, for the present, be British protectorate and the appointment of a High suspended on account of the reports for the Commissioner. The Bajah insists that Sarawak money orders having been burned. The tem- is independent and has no need of protecporary office is located on the opposite side of the tion. Federation meets with no countenance. late office and postal affairs are managed as usual. from him. As to the new banking institution the Chinese Times of the 11th February, debeen issued by the postal authorities to the effect this amount will be paid up for the present. Consulat Tientsin, in place of Mr. Rettich, who, that all the mail matter was taxed but about The Bank will take over most of the North it will be remembered, went home a short time seventy letters and papers.—Japan Gasette.

IN ANNAM.

Dr. D. J. Macgowan, in his "Glimpses of Ton-

onin." says :- Although the subjugation of

that in modern times the conquests of the British Lists of the successful students at the Kun- At first the bank was to be started with one in India, and of Russians in Mid-Asia have conmillion sterling capital, it will hardly matter tributed to ameliorate the condition of the Story of a robber who had amassed some money what amount they will start with since they have subjugated on the whole; and in like manner the kind may answer in the distant future, but on the French Bund, Tientsin. The fire originfalling in love with a dunsel in Macao and pro- millions at their back. They want to have their Indo-Chinese Peninsula will indubitably derive seems premature at present. osing to marry her. The parents agree on con- capital in silver currency, this German law does benefit in several ways from French domination. dition that he spends the honeymoon at their not admit, hence they are trying to get the law One of these will be in the suppression of manhouse. He agrees, and sends his trunks there, but changed. It will take some time, and I hardly among the Lace; these of that race THE NATIVE SOLDIERS IN ANNAM. following next day finds the house empty, his fancy that a movement will be made for several whom the delimitation of boundaries between French and Siamese territories (now in process own and the robber's property on the night and The bank is to start in Shanghai and is to will be secured from being kidnapped and sold The Utopian idea in Berlin is that China will labour on the Panama Canal, and measures were efficient service in suppressing brigandage and all at once open out to European civilization. taken (otherwise kidnapping them,) and piracy. For long the region conterminous with off and thrown in, and if they go after their River, of an Imperial mint and such like gigan- for transportation to that Isthmus, but they time immemorial the coast has been harassed ing immigration.

> PROSPECTS OF TONQUIN. Dr. D. J. Macgowan, who has been contributing a series of articles headed "Glimpses of Tonguin" to the N. C. Daily News, writes as follows concerning the prospects of that country:-It is sad to contrast the present aspect of affairs at the Metropolis of French Indo-China, with the sanguine anticipations entertained concerning its capacity a score of years ago. Here, in Tonquin the colonists are also sanguine, but indubitably their hope and confidence are based on more solid ground, on tangible facts. With an area one-fourth that of France; with twothirds of the population of that country, with alluvial lands of extraordinary fertility, with highlands of inexhaustible primarval forests and affluent in almost every variety of minerals, certainly this Protectorate promises to be a cornucopia for its possessors.

Under certain conditions three rice crops are progurable annually, and it has been cessive crops-of-excellent-potatoes-have-been produced in a single cool season. million hectares of marshland are reclaimable. to the exchequer. A hundred million francs indicionaly expended an public works would go

far towards industrial progress. The mountains which lie to the north, extend- 7.5.6; other stations, Tls. 22,502,4.1.5. The opium ing from the sea to the extreme western limit. afford ironwood, teak, and other woods useful in the arts, with cinnamon, camphor, and drugvielding trees and plants, while throughout the

entire mountain range mining industry has the promise of exceeding great reward. Nothing can retard commercial and industrial progress in Tonquin but a continuance of a superfluity of administration.—the Protectorate has been benumbed by fussy officialism, which is only a trifle less inimical to the public weal than anarchy itself.

What at present chiefly attracts attention at Hanoi is the projected railway to the Yunnan frontier up the Red River valley, which is designed to make this city the entrepot of Southern China by tapping the vast mineral region of Yunnan, and to supply it with European. Indian. and Chinese commodities, an end contemplated by Anglo-Indians through Siam,—the Burmah I the 1st April next. The line is being built by route not being feasible. In this commendable rivalry and compatition, the physical difficulties of Mr. Li Chen, a nephew of the Viceroy. which French engineers have to surmount are less formidable than those which confront the Formoss, on the night of the 8th ult. The Hu-British. Meanwhile it is not to be supposed that | pao says that a foreigner there has traced the the Chinese will lie supine; the avenue to Yunnan frequent earthquakes in that island to a semiby the Yangtse, which is capable of being im- extinct volcano which occasionally relapses into vaccination, the Japan Mail, says:-- "What an proved, and further supplemented by railways, activity. will enable her to compete with the Bay of The Courier says that the British ship Lock this matter! Here vaccination is virtually uni-Bengal and the Gulf of Tonquin for the com- Eck. with a cargo consisting of 2,400 tons versal. It is practised on the most scientific merce of her south-western province.—The steel rails for the Formosa railway, arrived at principles and with the greatest dexterity. No world at large cannot but regard this pacific Kelung from Maryport (England), after a passage Japanese mother is happy until she has had her

FEDERATION IN NORTH BORNEO.

The Straits Times says:-The impending advices, engaged in carrying the above cargo Japan, and sold the whole stock as soon as they arnotice in our columns. Very little light has Governor of Formosa is without doubt the most mal, &c., he has determined to receive orders and quire into the matter is quite competent to deal the European merchants and gentry, and is settle; the clear water is then drawn off, and likely to prove dangerous from a financial point represented, has been handed to the agent at france per annum, being at the rate of 3.86 frances quire into the matter is quite competent to deal the European merchants and gentry, and is settle; the clear water is then drawn off, and likely to prove dangerous from a financial point represented, has been handed to the agent at france per annum, being at the rate of 3.86 frances quire into the matter is quite competent to deal the European merchants and gentry, and is settle; the clear water is then drawn off, and likely to prove dangerous from a financial point represented, has been handed to the agent at france per annum, being at the rate of 3.86 frances with it; in other words, the affair is to be hushexceedingly touched and grateful, causes us to the sediment, of a pulpy consistency, carefully of view. 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In this condition it is; put into will have twofold duties to perform. Towards sion to his directors with the request that they start. With respect to some of the lines it is A novel system of aqueezing. A man pawns ness and even danger of amusements. But the boxes, sold to the dealers for 150 cash a catty, the Bultan, he will have to play the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. The provided that if the want of water should present for 3 was and when he made and will have to play the part of a will have to play the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. The provided that if the want of water should present the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. The provided that if the want of water should present the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. The provided that if the want of water should present the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. The provided that if the want of the subject to the dealers for 150 cash a catty, the Bultan, he will have to play the part of a will present it to the Postmester-General. an old cost for 3 mace, and when he goes to re- Paper Hunt Club evinces an ingentity of con- shipped to Shanghai and other southern ports. Resident on the same footing as like officials in memorial sets forth the great inconvenience vent the carrying out of the service the subventerm it declares that the newportable between the control of the service the subventerm ports. Resident on the same footing as like officials in memorial sets forth the great inconvenience vent the carrying out of the subventerm ports. Resident on the same footing as like officials in memorial sets forth the great inconvenience vent the carrying out of the service the subventerm ports. deem it declares that the pawnshopkeeper had coption and a capacity for recreating the mind where the manufacture is completed, "and the Malayan Peninsula. The Suitan of Bru-that will be caused by the despatch of the Engsubstituted an old garment for the brand new which places it rather on the level of high art then," they say, "it comes back to us again in name, and the High lish mail from Shanghai on Tuesday mornings offected. The Government agrees to send all one he allows he had named. The brand new which places it rather on the level of high art then," they say, "it comes back to us again in name, and the High lish mail from Shanghai on Tuesday mornings offected. The comes back to us again in name, and the High lish mail from Shanghai on Tuesday mornings offected. The comes back to us again in name, and the High lish mail from Shanghai on Tuesday mornings offected. The comes back to us again in name, and the High lish mail from Shanghai on Tuesday mornings. one he alleges he had pawned. The pawnbroker than a re amusement, with which therefore it small round-piece, which are sold for about Commissioner will and strong by the first and strong by the firs List of New Year Tablets presented by the declining to give way, the would be confused. Moreover, the merchants four times the original price under the name keep up his authority, preserve order, and defend much Sunday work, and prays that, like the Government material and stores by the firm's four times the original price under the name keep up his authority, preserve order, and defend much Sunday work, and prays that, like the declining to give way, the would be confused. 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Translations regarding the money orders and to be started, Mr. Dent stated that its prospectus cidedly improved, and he can now walk a little. deposits are conducted in the Kanda Post Office. would be put in circulation last month. An He has been troubled with swellings in his-The matters which escaped the fire were for Eastern Bank doing an extensive business will joints, the result of weakness, warded while the fire was yet burning, but receive applications for sha es. The capital The Courier learns that Mr. Feindel, who armore or les delay might have been caused und r has not yet been defin tely fixed, but is likely the circumstances." An official notice has since to aggregate £500,000. Only a portion of other day, has been appointed to be H I. G. M.'s Borneo Company's financial business, and will also start agencies in China, Singapore, and Batavia. The Bank will bear an international character. Its founders wish that Hollanders. who have sunk so much capital in British North Su's marriage will be celebrated, immense quan-Borneo, would back up the Bank financially, and tities of silk fabrics will have to be prepared give it every support. So far as Mr. Dent's for the all-important occasion. According to statements go, affairs in North Borneo seem to the Shih-pao, orders have been given to the iminferior races by Christian States is morally be on the eve of important changes. To doubt perial silk manufactories in Kiangsu and Chothe B. N. B. Company would be all the better king to get ready no less than 20,000 rolls of for a federation with the traits Settlements; silk fabrics of all kinds.

With reference to Annamite soldiers Dr. Macgowan, in his "Glimpses of Tonquin," writes:into slavery. Thirty thousand coolies (otherwise There are about 20,000 trained native soldiers slaves) were demanded a few months ago for attached to the French army, who are rendering passing by are liable to have their caps pulled Dreams of railways, of embanking the Yellow 1,200 were securely packed on shipboard China has suffered from civil strife, and from were released by the authorities of the Pro- by pirates, the men slaughtered and the women tectorate, not, however, it would appear, until expatriated and enslaved; the tranquillization moved to that measure by Annamese mandarins of the land is some compensation for its submiss still alive. In winter they are kept in houses Some of the decoyed coolies were obtained from sion to Gallie rule. Without the aid of native with thick wooden floors, but in summer they the province of Canton, where two of the recruit- soldiers the country could not have been con- are sometimes taken outside, and on the 6th day ing agents were decapitated. Thus no more quered, nor could it be long retained without of the 6th moon they are taken to the city most attempts are likely to be made to enslave people their aid. The nucleus of the force was com- and the male-n very large and handsome animal from this region to rot in Panama. Tonquin posed of persecuted natives furnished by French —accompanies the Empress to the Temple of has long been the resort of puryeyors for the and Spanish missioneries eager to avenge them. Heaven. They never see each other, and are bagnios of Canton, Annamese girls being a selves. They moved in behalf of the invader fed on straw tied up is bundles, in the inside of marketable commodity, and before the suppres- with Moslem ferceity, smiting their unbelieving which boiled rice in placed. The compound in sion of piracy by the French they were more neighbours and kin, hip and thigh-no prisoners which their houses stand is very large, and origifrequently stolen than purchased. Malgre the were taken on either side. That Annamese post nally there must have been houses for a couple vigilance of the French police at the ports, slave | sess martial qualities has been abundantly demon- of scores of elephants, but most of the houses are girls are still smuggled out of the country, being strated. Armed only with bows and arrows they now roofless. Those still living have been taught purchasable here for \$30 per head, vendable in soon took to fight in battle, but again and again, a number of tricks, such as to courtsey, to kotow, Hongkong at an enormous profit, and when they | when repelled by the sweeping fire of artillery | blow their trumpats, eat and drink when rereach their destination within the transpecific and deadly fire of repeating rifles, gallantly re- quired, etc. Perhaps the Burmese who are to golden, gate, they are sold for many hundred turned to the charge; consequently well armed send decennial tribute to China may bring some dollars. These atrocities alone justify citizens and disciplined and skilfully led they are doubt- elephants with their first mission and so reof the Pacific slope in their demands for restrict- less equal to any Asiatic troops. - At the com- plenish our stock. mencement they lacquired sufficient knowledge of French to understand military commands, | ground where we found nine heads of lately deand gradually they acquired that language. A Capitated criminals exposed in baskets. A large very large portion of them ere converts, and no multitude stood around gaping at the heads, the, mubiny is feared. They are unshed and would faces of which were quite red coloured, not pales regard the order to wear shoes as a great hard- whether this is the result of the cold or of the ship, but submit, many of them, to sandals: their uniform is a compromise, Franco-Annamese.

CHINA.

The Courier says that the death of Mr. Peter | way of preparation has been done, both for the Parker, M. D., is reported in letters from Ameria musement and comfort of the guests, and the es. Dr. Parker arrived at Canton in October. result has been noot satisfactory. During the 1834, and he was the first regularly appointed first half of the evening the guests were masks, Protestant medical missionary to the Chinese and this gave opportunities for the persistage Empire. After some twenty years of faithful ser- and hum ur usual at such scene-, and as many vice, and upwards of 55,000 cases on the hospital of the dresses were uperb, the coup d'ail was records, he returned in 1855 to the United States | magnificent. I wish | could describe some of of America. He was four years connected with the ladies' and gentlemen's dresses, but I cannot the American Legation in China. In a memorial published in the Peking Gasette | guests were present. The Colonaise was danced stream; that if their father was buried there all his sons and grand-one would die away are respectable all-round all his sons and grand-one would die away are readily acclimatisable; two sucthe receipts of the various stations under the Tient in band rlaying in the Garman Legation administration of the Canton Native Customs on the 13th, and all Peking would have been for the period beginning with the 21st November, there, but the news of the sad condition of the which it is believed will yield milliards of france | 1886, and ending with the 16th October, 1887. The following are the figures: - Canton Customs | concert to be postpoued. Tls. 130,358.7.9; Swatow, Tls. 18.797.9.9.7

Kiungchow, Tls. 1,813.8.5; Pakhoi, Tls. 14,234. stations around Macao and Hongkong yielded Tls, 55,831.5 from the 21st November, 1886, to 31st March, 1887, the date at which they were withdrawn from the native administration.

We hear from Swatow that the body of Mr. Brace, the chief engineer of the China Navigation Co.'s wrecked steamer Swatow, which was picked up by Chinese and taken in to Swatow, was buried there on the 25th ultimo. Up to the of the strength of the North west blow and the 2nd instant, no news had been received there of

after the vessel struck.

The telegraph line between Twatutis and Taiwan-fu is expected to be ready for service by Chinese exclusively inder the superintendence An earthquake was felt in the district of I-lan

contest of three great nations with lively interest. of 105 days, on the 2nd February. On the 16th child vaccinated." idem there arrived at Kelung, likewise from | According to the Mainichi Shimbun, Mr. Onc-Maryport, after a passage of 150 days, the British | dera, residing in Takekawa-cho, Kiobashiku, in ship Marabout, having on board 2,500 tons of Tokyo, who visited the United States last year steel rails and other railway material. The and brought back with him some five or six hun-Waiting and Faopoo were, according to latest dred cows-and oxen, has found a good market in

SHANGHAI. The little steamer Sea Gull, which was recent-

AT up of Sikhs, Dyaks, and other Asiatics on the The Shen-pao says that the Koronn Envoy same footing as the force of the same kind kept Cho, appointed to Russia, etc., is still in Hongup by the British North Borneo Company, kong and that his Secretary of Lagation, L. Labuan will be assigned to the latter. As Young-that, has just left win Nagasaki to join regards Sarawak, Labuan, and British North the staff with one or two clerks. The Korean Borneo, the High Commissioner will take action | Envoy Min, temperarily recalled from Japan, is was burned down on the morning of the 3rd as Delegate of the British Government, whose prevented from returning to his post by the February. The fire broke out shortly after four wishes and policy it will be his duty to enforce absence of funds. The loan of \$1,000,000 made o'clook, and before it could be checked had des. Sarawak and British North Borneo will, other. to the King of Kores by Messes. Townsend & troyed the Post Office itself, a building in the wise, be self governed. The High Commissioner Co. for the purchase of two new small war-Communications Superintending Fureau and will advise the local authorities, and report to steamers, and in payment of the price due for four private residences, besides consuming half the Home Government in case his counsel be the Kwang-chi and Ch'ac-yang, was originally a barber's shop. Every effort was made by the disregarded, thereby enabling it to take action secured by the Customs revenue of the three postal officials to save the correspondence, &c., to enforce his authority. The British North Korean ports and by certain gold mines; but and, secording to the Jiji Shimpo, in this they Bornen Company raises no objection to these these latter promise so well that the Government for the most part succeeded. The Nichi Nichi arrangements. Far otherwise is it with the proposes to work them on its own account with

The health of Prince Ch'un has according to

rived in Shanghai from Europe by the Sucheen the ago, on furlough, on account of his delicate state of health. The current year being fixed as the time

when the solemnities of the Emperor Kwang

whose everflowing Treasury would then be The Chinese Times says that a fire took place available to meet its wants. Federation of this on the 7th ult. at the residence of Mr. G. Hearson, lafed in the hall by the accidental unsetting of some kerosine, and rapidly obtained a hold of the woodwork furniture &c. The seamen of the foreign men-of-war in Tientsin rendered emergetic assistance in subduing the flames. The damage is estimated to be about Tls. 1.000. The effects were insured in the London and Lancashire, and the house in the Singapore Іпвигансе Сощрану.

PEKING.

I paid a visit the other day to the Imperial elephants, of which two-s male and female-ere

-After the elephants we went to the execution endden shock at the moment of decapitation, the bleeding vessels being constricted, or from some other cause it is impossible to say. The heads are allowed to remain there for months: the street is a basy one, too, a large vegetable mar-

ket being held in it. The costume hall at the Inspector-General's has come off successf lly. Everything in the atte i pt to do so. About a hundred and then!y

t rown Prince has caused this and the musical Mr. Bull ck real a most interesting paper on the fall of the Mings at the bet meeting of the Peking Oriental Society, in the British Legation. There was an excellent attendance and some di cussion afterwards, followe l by a Social veeting. I hear that when Mr. Brenan goes to Engl ad on leave this summer, Mr. Bulleck will take his place at Tientsin; by that time Mr. Hiller will have returned here. Mr. Bulltok will make a good C naul and will well represent

known. The weather since the end of January has been very sharp and we have had two remirders disagreeables that accorpany it, namely, cold the second mate Freeman, who was missed soon and dust. Fegation quarter is now enlivened as it always is in Winter, by the presence of tunny Mongols with their wives, whose head diesses are gaudily o namented, and handsome came's .- Daily News Correspondent.

Buitish interests in Timisia, where he is already

JAPAN

YOKOHAMA.

In a note referring to our recent articles on immense contrast China presents to Japan in

rived But as it is difficult to satisfy the wishes

TONQUIN.

HAIPHONG. Le Courrier d'Haiphong says :-- M. Schnedlin, a Frenchman who served for a number of years in the Chinese army, in which he held the title of General, and who abandoned his appointment on the outbreak of the war between France and China, has obtained a concession of 15,000 hectares of carboniferousland in the neighbourhood of Dong-trieu. We hope that Dongand d'Abbadie for the extension of the river steam-